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TRANSLATION
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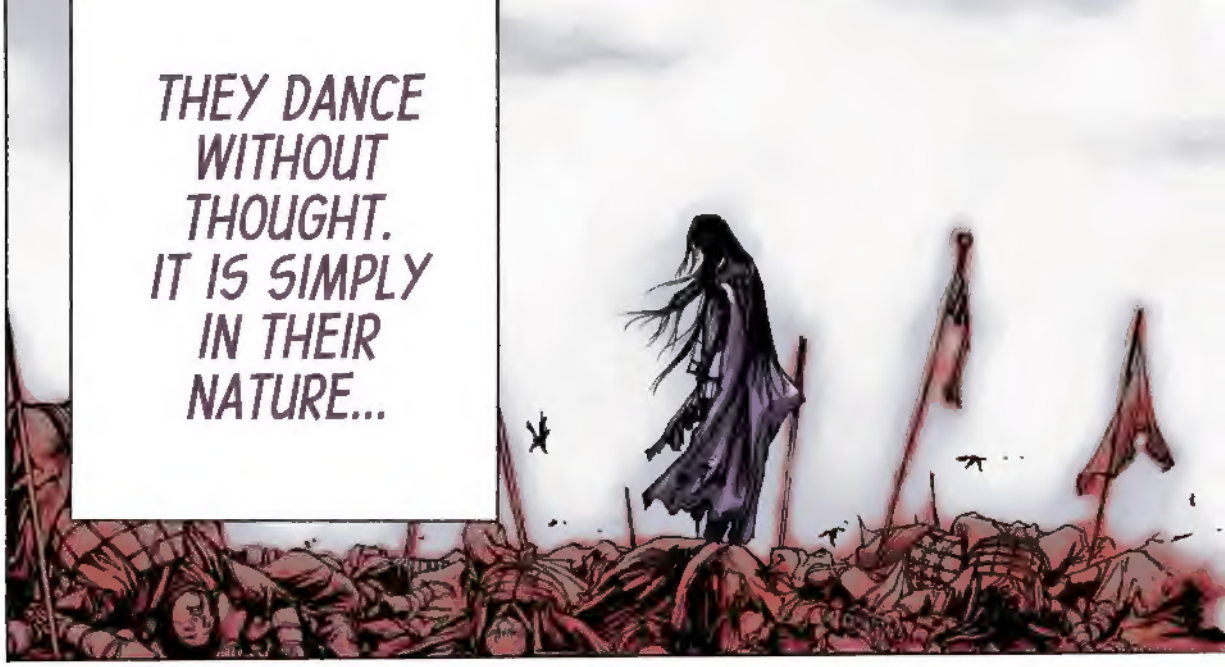
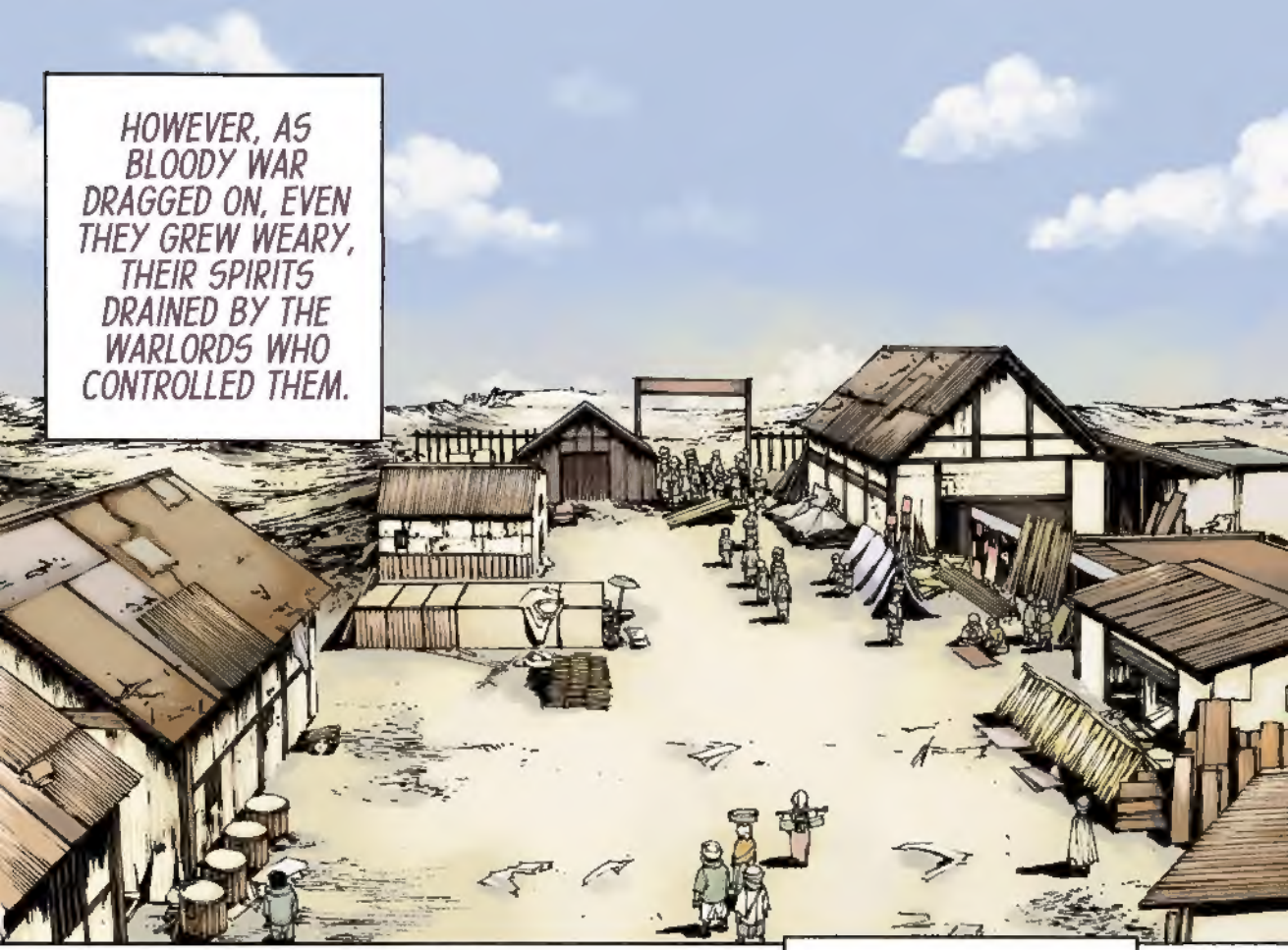
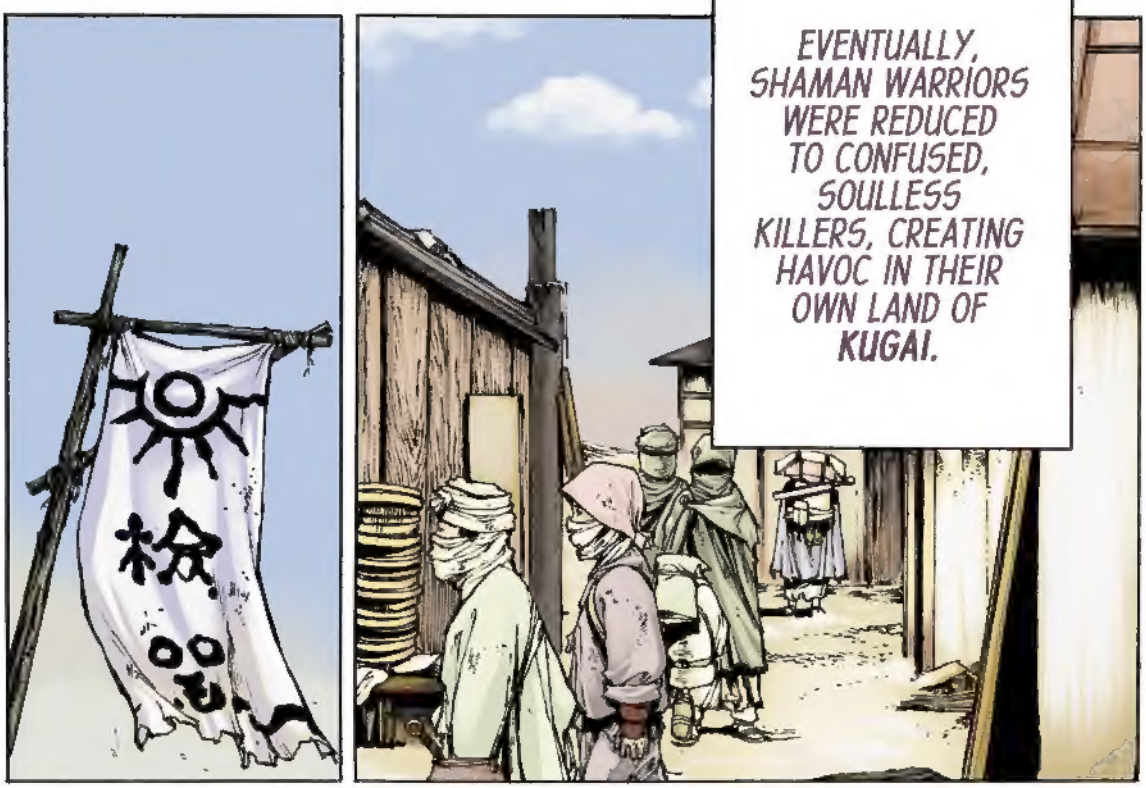
LETTERING
STEVE DUTRO

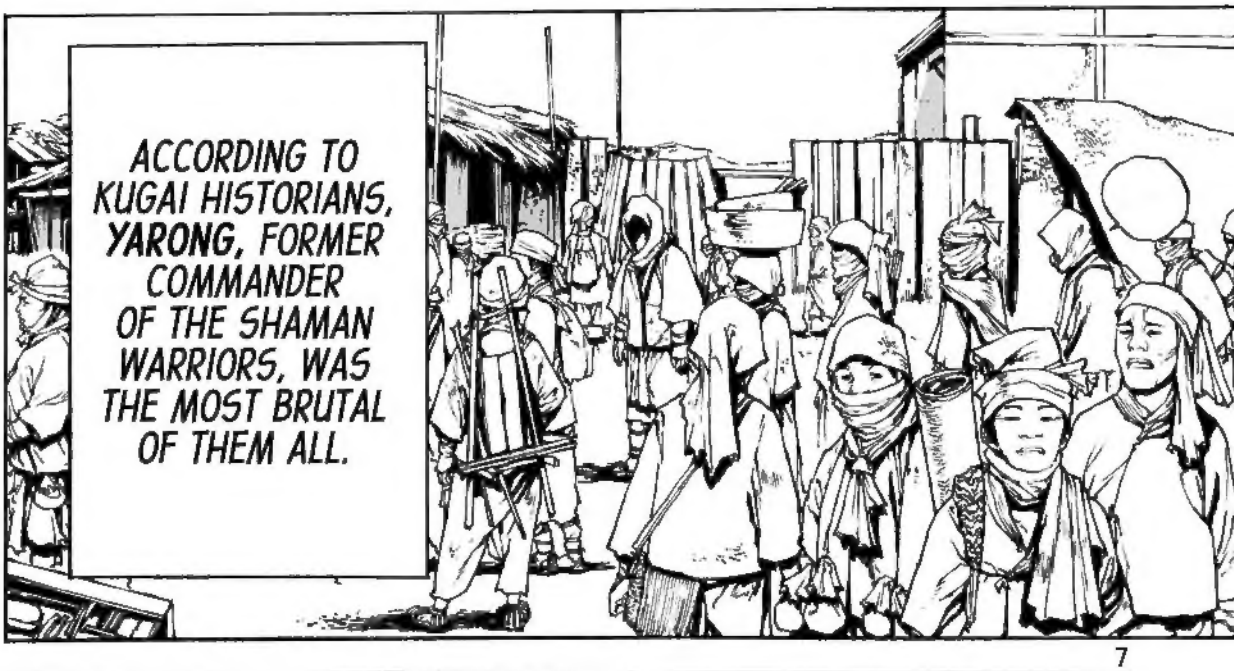
IT WOULD BE FITTING TO CALL THEM GHOSTS.
BLOODY BATTLES ARE THE STAGE ON WHICH THEY DANCE DANCES OF DEATH.

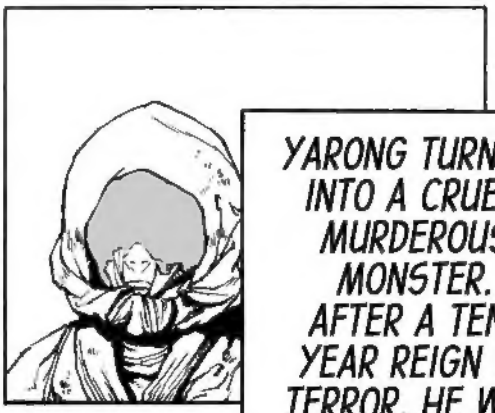

THEY DANCE WITHOUT THOUGHT. IT IS SIMPLY IN THEIR NATURE...

...FOR THEY ARE THE SHAMAN WARRIORS, FEARED BY ALL.


HOWEVER, AS BLOODY WAR DRAGGED ON, EVEN THEY GREW WEARY, THEIR SPIRITS DRAINED BY THE WARLORDS WHO CONTROLLED THEM.

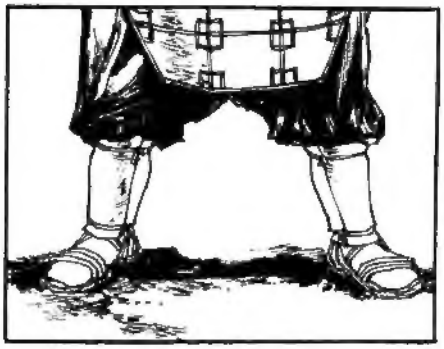

EVENTUALLY, SHAMAN WARRIORS WERE REDUCED TO CONFUSED, SOULLESS KILLERS, CREATING HAVOC IN THEIR OWN LAND OF KUGAI.





YARONG TURNED INTO A CRUEL, MURDEROUS MONSTER. AFTER A TEN-YEAR REIGN OF TERROR, HE WAS FINALLY SLAIN BY THE KUGAI HERO, YUDA.

IT WAS DECIDED THAT ALL REMAINING SHAMAN WARRIORS WERE TO BE EXTERMINATED. KUGAI'S EFFORTS DROVE THE SHAMAN WARRIORS TO NEAR EXTINCTION...



LISTEN UP!

THIS BY ORDER OF THE MAINLAND!

WE'RE HERE BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN INFORMED THAT *SHAMANS* ARE ATTEMPTING TO ESCAPE THROUGH THIS BORDER!
ANYONE FOUND HIDING OR HELPING SHAMANS TO ESCAPE *WILL BE EXECUTED!*

ARE YOU SAYING THAT SHAMANS ARE SNEAKING THROUGH A REMOTE COUNTRY TOWN LIKE THIS?!

RIDICULOUS! HOW DO YOU EXPECT US *HERBALISTS* TO BE ON TIME WITH OUR DELIVERIES WITH ALL OF YOUR INSPECTIONS?!
OPEN THE DAMN ROAD!

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KUGAI SOLDIERS ARE *HERE*, TOO... MAYBE THEY KNOW...?
WE SHOULD RETREAT NOW AND COME BACK AFTER DARK.
YOU TWO! STOP RIGHT THERE!

Y-YES, SIR?
HMM... WHY DID *YOU TWO* TURN AROUND AFTER SEEING OUR CHECKPOINT?
WE WERE JUST ON OUR WAY TO GATHER SOME HERBS IN THE DESERT, SIR.
WE DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE CHECKPOINT, SO WE'RE GOING BACK TO GET OUR IDs.
WHY HAVEN'T I EVER SEEN YOUR FACES AROUND HERE BEFORE?!
PLEASE, WE JUST HEARD THAT THE HERBS BEYOND THIS BORDER WERE EXCELLENT, THAT'S ALL...
PLEASE EXCUSE US, SIRS.

KHEE HEE HEE...
!
DO ALL HERBALISTS PACK SUCH *BIG HARD KNUCKLES?*
KTCHNGG
OH
SEE, WE'VE HEARD IT'S QUITE THE POPULAR DISGUISE FOR SHAMANS THESE DAYS.
YOU FELLAS WOULDN'T HAPPEN TO KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THAT, WOULD YOU?
YOU...PULL OFF YOUR MASK. SLOWLY!

TURN AROUND, NICE AND EASY! ANY NONSENSE, AND YOU'LL BE MISSING A HEAD.

H-
HUH?!
AAH!
BAM!
PAHKK

IT'S A SHAMAN!

SHFF

AGHKK!
BAMM

HRAAH!
DIE!
FWUMP
파앗

HYAAH!
THMP
ARRGH!

YAIEE!
HEY!
STOP!
TMP
TMP
TMP
TMP
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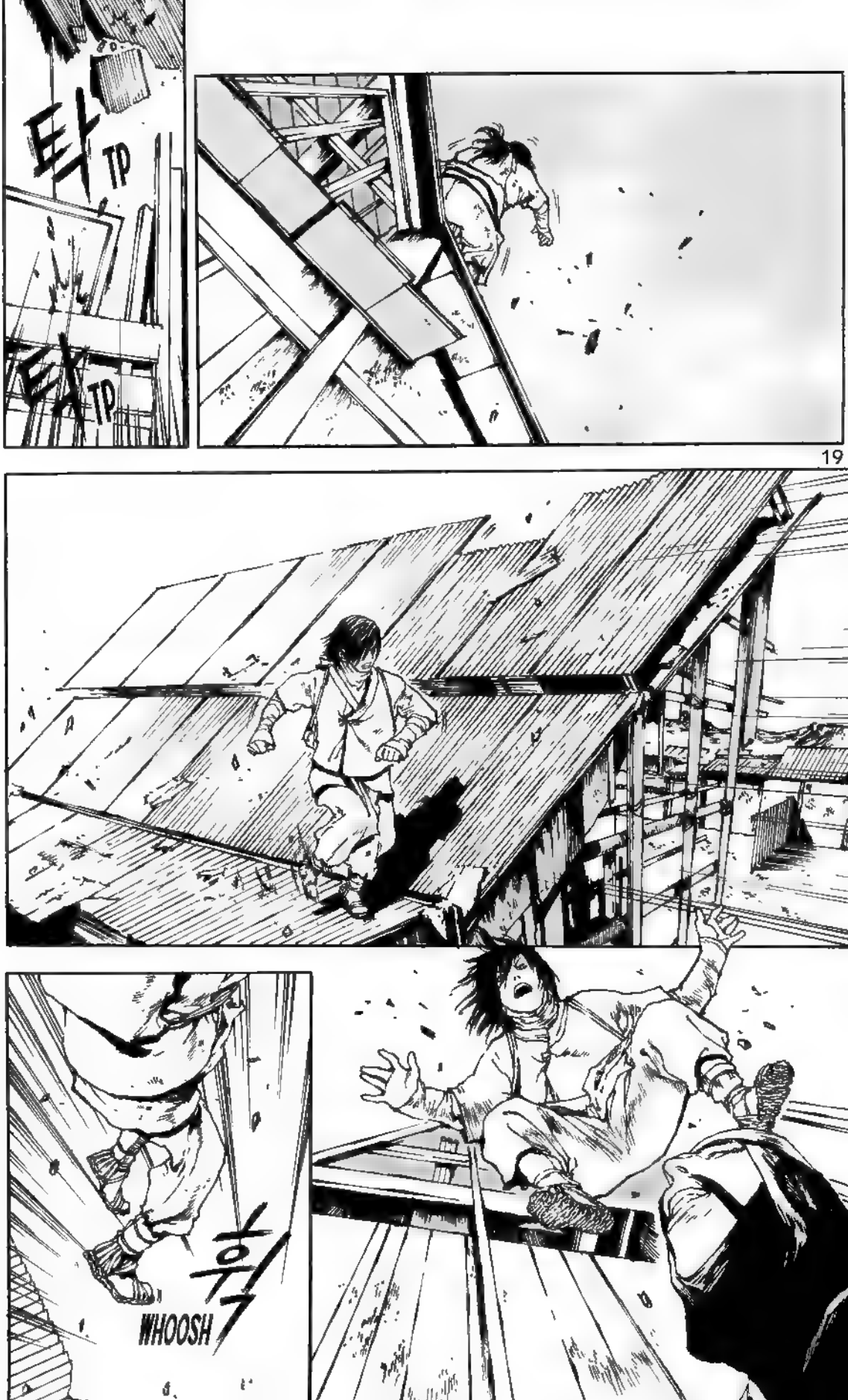
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WHOOSH

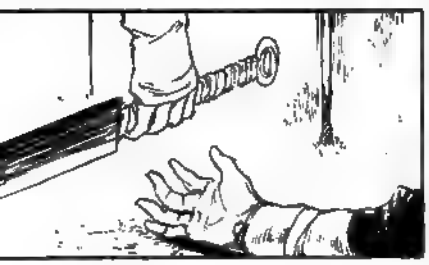
콰아
SLAM
AHHK!
SSHUKK
HFF...
HFF...

DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE PUNISHMENT IS FOR KILLING SOLDIERS?!
I HAD NO CHOICE.
DAMN IT...

DAMN IT! WITH THE DISAPPEARANCE OF *FOUR* SOLDIERS, INSPECTIONS WILL BE STRICTER THAN EVER!

WE SHOULD PART WAYS HERE.
YOUR MEANS OF ESCAPE AREN'T RESTRICTED TO THE DESERT ONLY.

WHAT ABOUT YOU?!



I'LL HIDE HERE FOR NOW, AND CROSS THE DESERT AT NIGHT.
FORGET IT! YOU CAN'T CROSS THE DESERT!

EVEN WITH YOUR POWERS, YOU'RE STILL A PERSON! YOU CAN'T SURVIVE FOR MORE THAN THREE DAYS IN THE DESERT!
THERE'S NO OTHER OPTION LEFT FOR A SHAMAN WARRIOR.
EVEN IF I CAN'T MAKE IT ACROSS, I'D RATHER DIE IN THE DESERT...
FAREWELL!

DAMN IT! HOW DID THINGS TURN OUT LIKE THIS...?

IT'S THEM!
OVER HERE-- UNDER THE DIRT!
WHO COULD'VE--?
THEY TOOK OUT *FOUR SOLDIERS* AT THE SAME TIME!

≡GLLP≡
SHAMAN... YOU'VE SHOWN YOURSELF AT LAST. HEH HEH HEH...

CHARACTER FILE
SECONDARY CHARACTER DESIGNS #1

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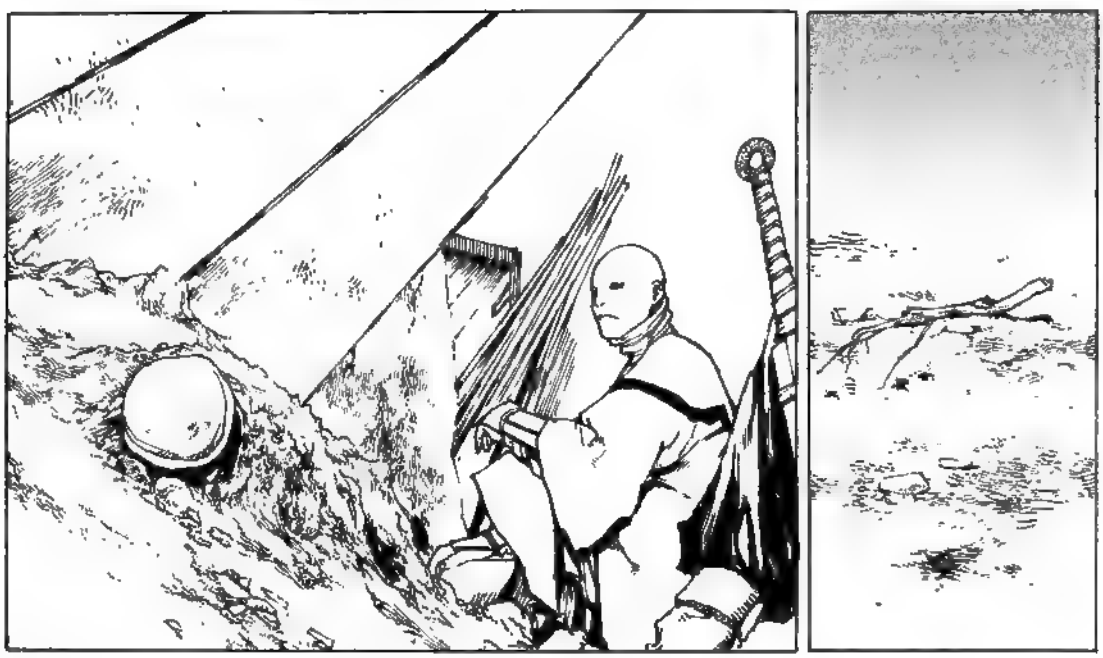


A DESERT ROOT...
DID ANY HERBALISTS PASS THOUGH THE CHECKPOINT THIS AFTERNOON?
SOME ENTERED THE DESERT IN THE MORNING, BUT NONE IN THE AFTERNOON, SIR.
GOOD! INSPECT ALL THE HERBALISTS WHO REMAIN IN TOHO... AND FIND THOSE WHO AREN'T REGISTERED.
YES, MY LORD!

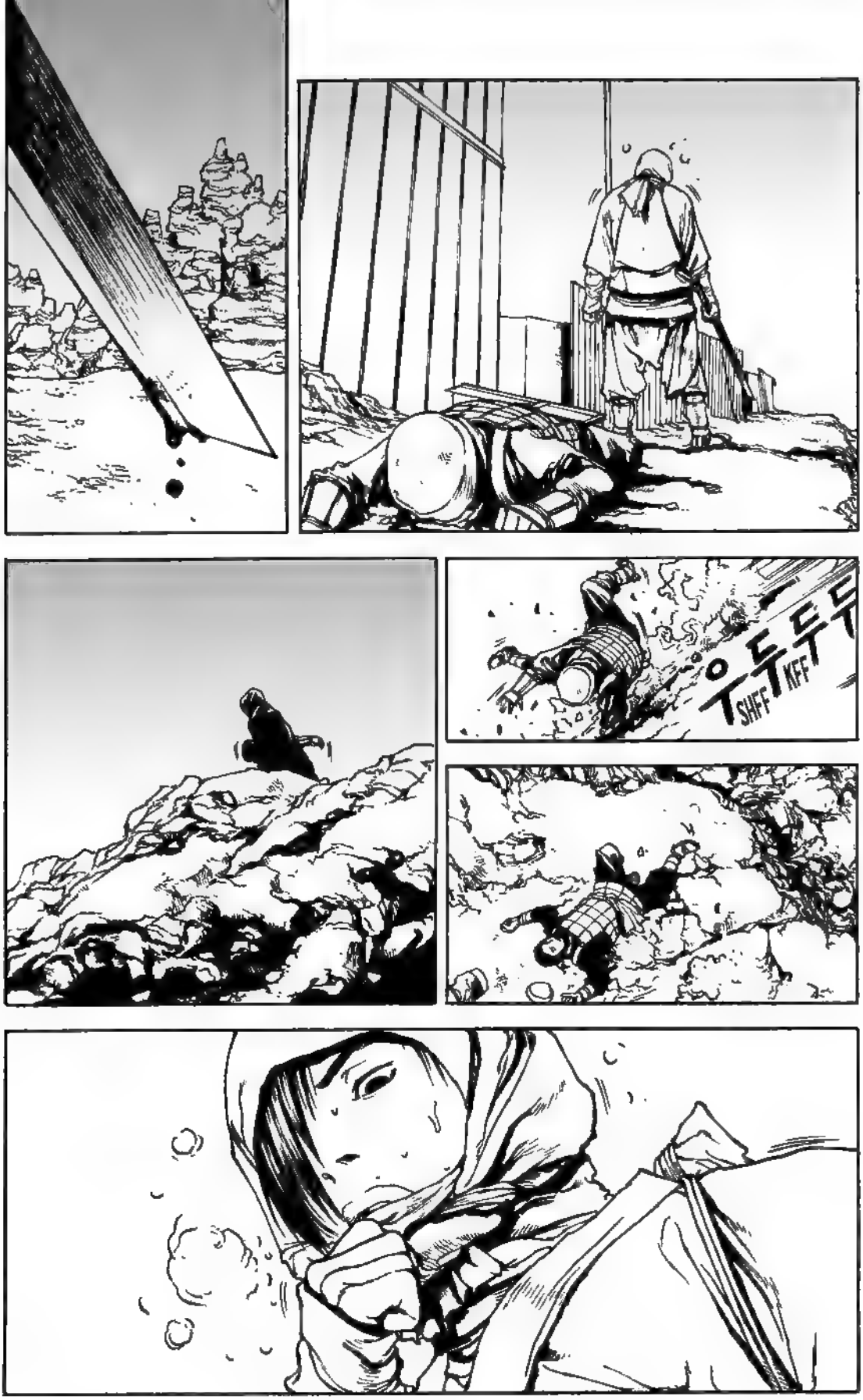
SSS...

HM?
HEY! THERE'S NO TRESPASSING HERE! TURN AROUND!
SWSH
ARE YOU DEAF?! TURN AROUND AND BEAT IT!
WHAT THE--?!

KPPOW

CHAK
≡TSK≡
YOU... IT'S YOU!
FWSH
SHMP
SHMP
피바바
FREEZE!

NO...
SSSTCHH
악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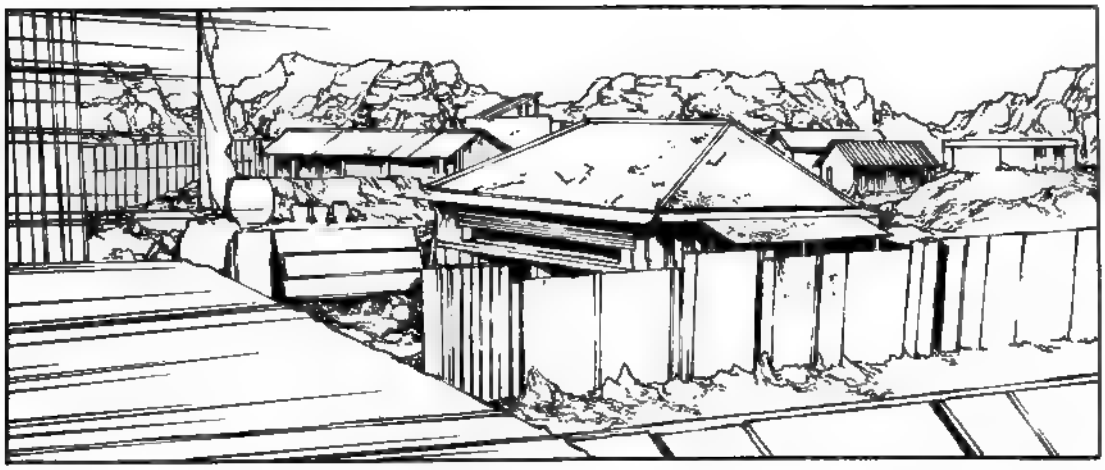

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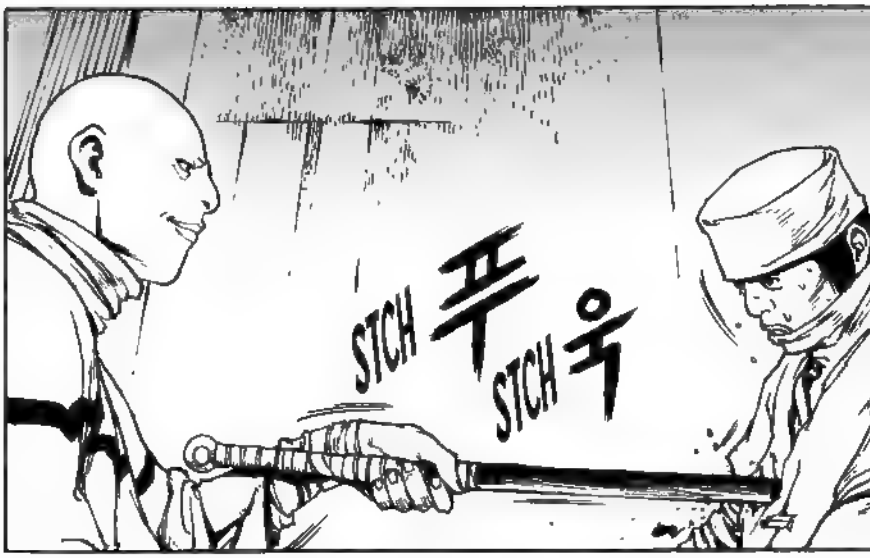
GRAB HIM!
40
FREEZE!
KNO

HEH
HEH
HEH...

DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!
YOU LITTLE--!
YAAH!
TAK
KTAK

HYAAP!
FWISH
43
GOTCHA!
DIE!
ENOUGH!

KHHKK!
HELLO...NO NEED TO BE NERVOUS. I MAY BE A SHAMAN, BUT I DON'T KILL WITHOUT A REASON.
I JUST WANT TO ASK YOU A FEW QUESTIONS.
WHERE WERE YOU FELLAS HEADED?
W-WHAT? I...I'M JUST A SIMPLE HERBALIST, SIR!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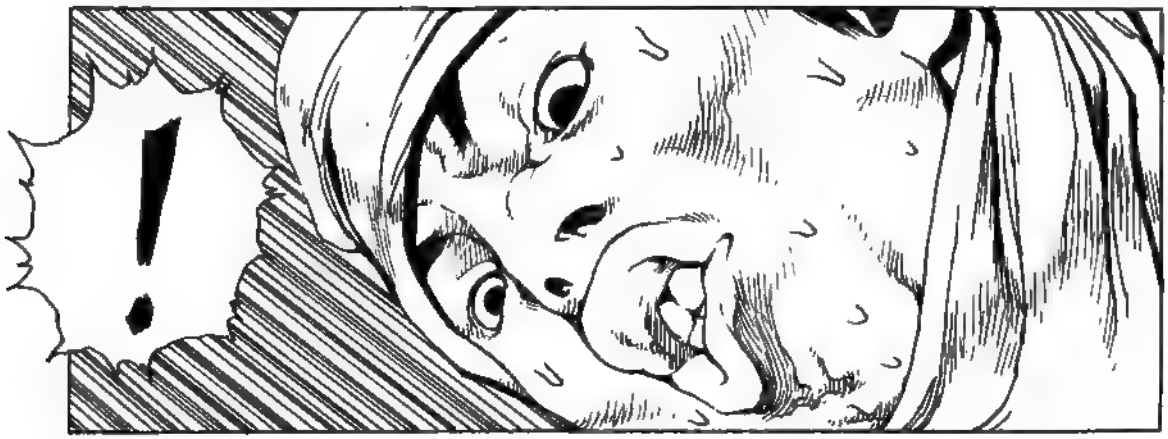
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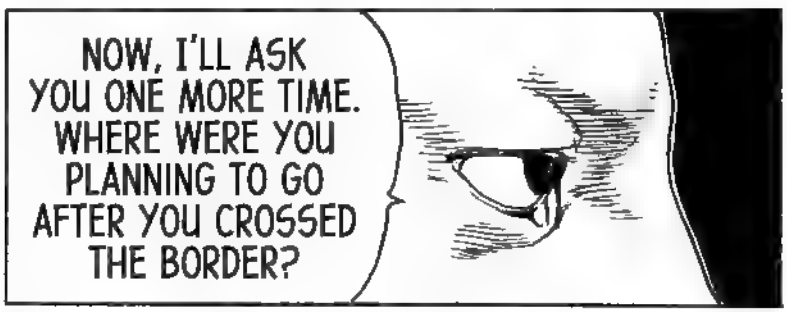
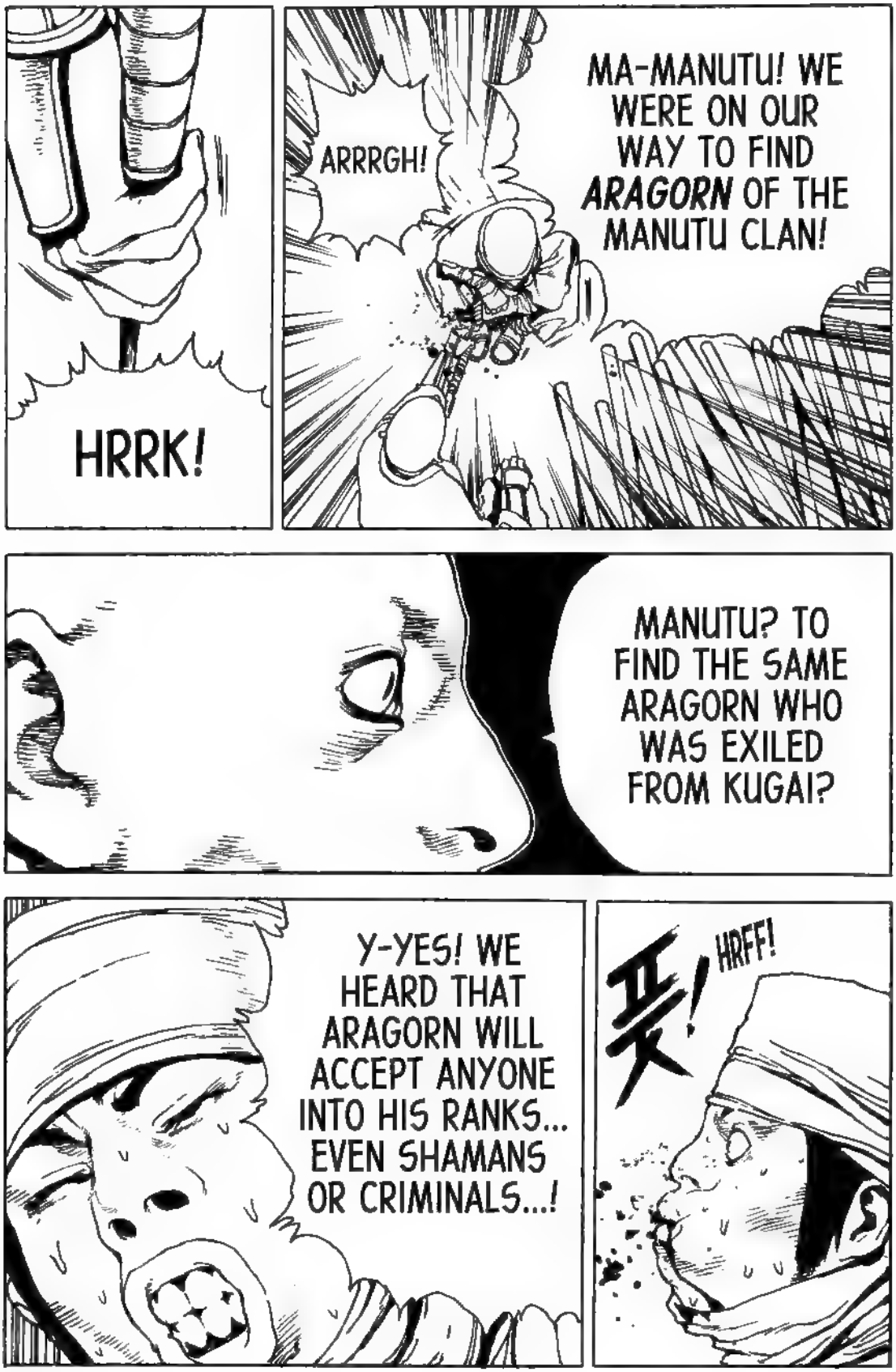
DON'T MOVE... IF THIS BLADE SLIPS OUT, WE'LL HAVE QUITE A MESS ON OUR HANDS.
I JUST HATE BLOOD STAINS. SUCH A PAIN TO WASH OUT.


NOW, I'LL ASK YOU ONE MORE TIME. WHERE WERE YOU PLANNING TO GO AFTER YOU CROSSED THE BORDER?

HRRGH! REALLY, SIR...I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING...!


HRRK!
ARRRGH!
MA-MANUTU! WE WERE ON OUR WAY TO FIND ARAGORN OF THE MANUTU CLAN!
MANUTU? TO FIND THE SAME ARAGORN WHO WAS EXILED FROM KUGAI?
Y-YES! WE HEARD THAT ARAGORN WILL ACCEPT ANYONE INTO HIS RANKS... EVEN SHAMANS OR CRIMINALS...!
HRFF!

툭툭
PLIP
THIS... IS MY FAVORITE COAT...
AAARRGH!
SLICE
SLICE

TROT
타닥
타닥 TROT

GHRRF!
SPTCH
캉
WHAT HAVE I DONE...? THESE CARCASSES WILL GIVE AWAY MY TRAIL...

STUPID MISTAKE...
THOSE SOLDIERS...EVEN WHILE EXUDING MY SHAMANISTIC POWERS, I COULDN'T SCARE THEM...
THIS IS IT...
KTMP
FMP
I'M FINISHED...EITHER I DIE HERE OR THE KUGAI SOLDIERS WILL HUNT ME DOWN...

≡GHKK≡
BZZZ
OH
BZZZ
OH
BZZZ
OH

MY LORD, THEY WERE KILLED AND DUMPED HERE TWO DAYS AGO!
SO HE SNUCK INTO THE DESERT!
IF IT'S ONLY BEEN TWO DAYS, IT'S STILL NOT TOO LATE.
CALL THE HUNTERS! I WILL TAKE CARE OF THIS MYSELF!!

CHARACTER FILE
SECONDARY CHARACTER DESIGNS #2

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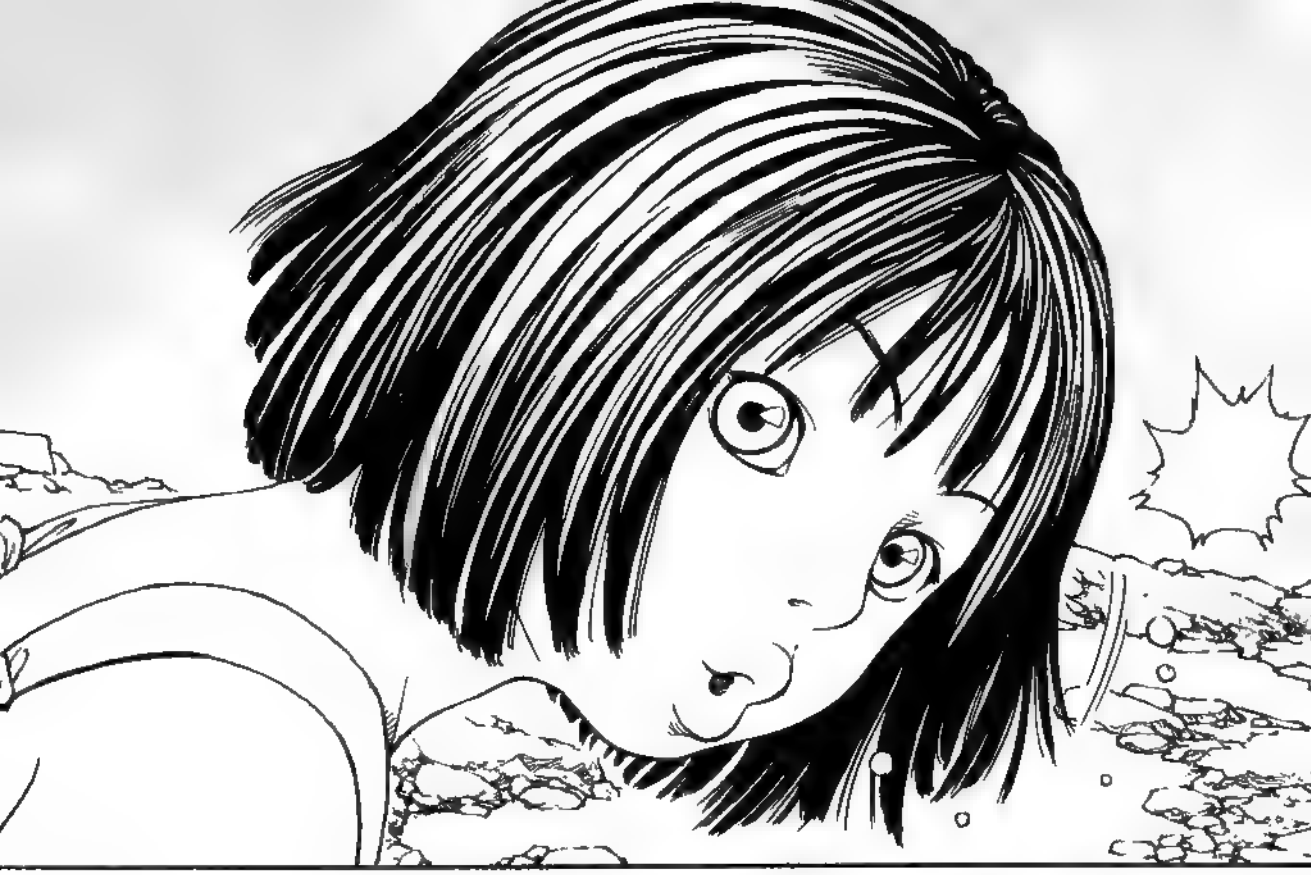
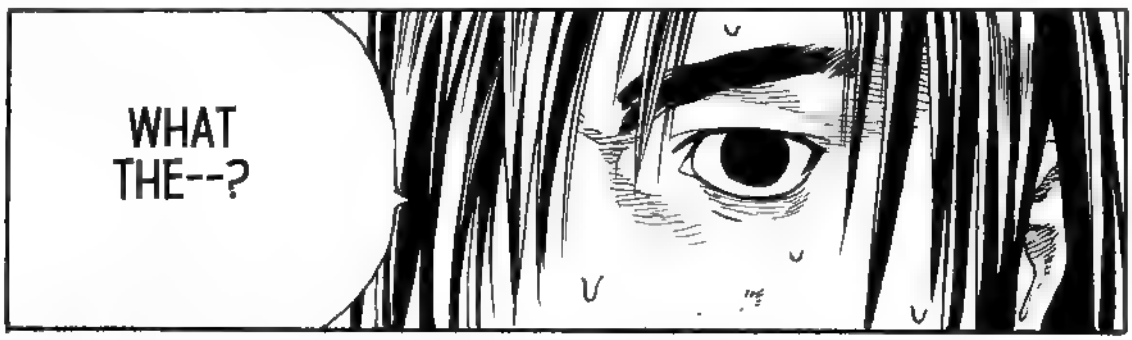
MANUTU?
THAT CLAN BEYOND THE KUGAI BORDER?!
RIGHT. AMONG THOSE NOT UNDER KUGAI RULE, MANUTU IS RAPIDLY BECOMING THE MOST POWERFUL!
RUMOR HAS IT THAT THEY'RE JUST A BUNCH OF LOWLIFES. DO YOU REALLY THINK KUGAI'S JUST GOING TO LEAVE THEM ALONE?!
BUT THAT'S WHY MANUTU KEEPS GROWING IN POWER! I HEAR THEY'LL ACCEPT ANYONE! IF YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO FIGHT, THEY DON'T CARE WHETHER YOU'RE A BUTCHER OR A SHAMAN!
EVEN SHAMANS?!

UNBELIEVABLE!
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
IT WON'T BE SAFE HERE FOR LONG! THE SOLDIERS ARE RESTLESS, ACTING ODD...
HORAKAAN, ARE YOU COMING WITH ME?!
DO I HAVE ANYWHERE ELSE TO GO...?

HAHH!
FINISH
찰 악

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SHFF
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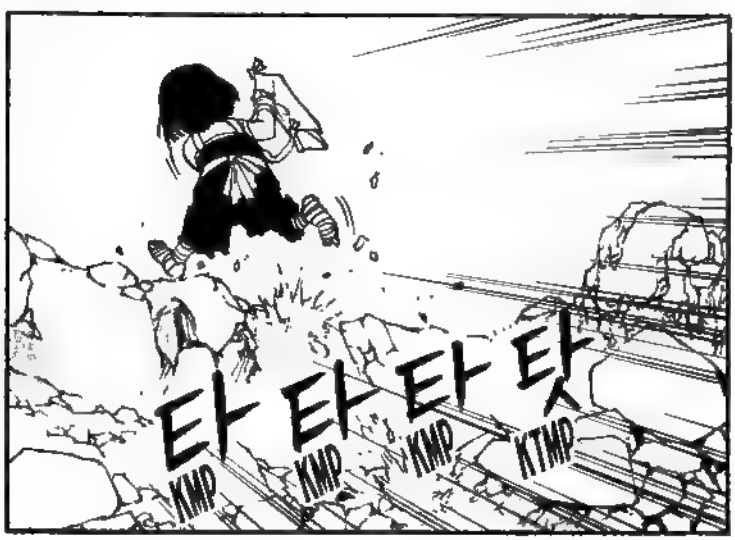
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KMP
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KMP
KTMP

W-
WAIT!
HEY!
I'M NOT GOING TO HURT YOU!
...
I JUST...
IF YOU HAD SOMETHING TO *EAT*, I'D REALLY...
SLAM

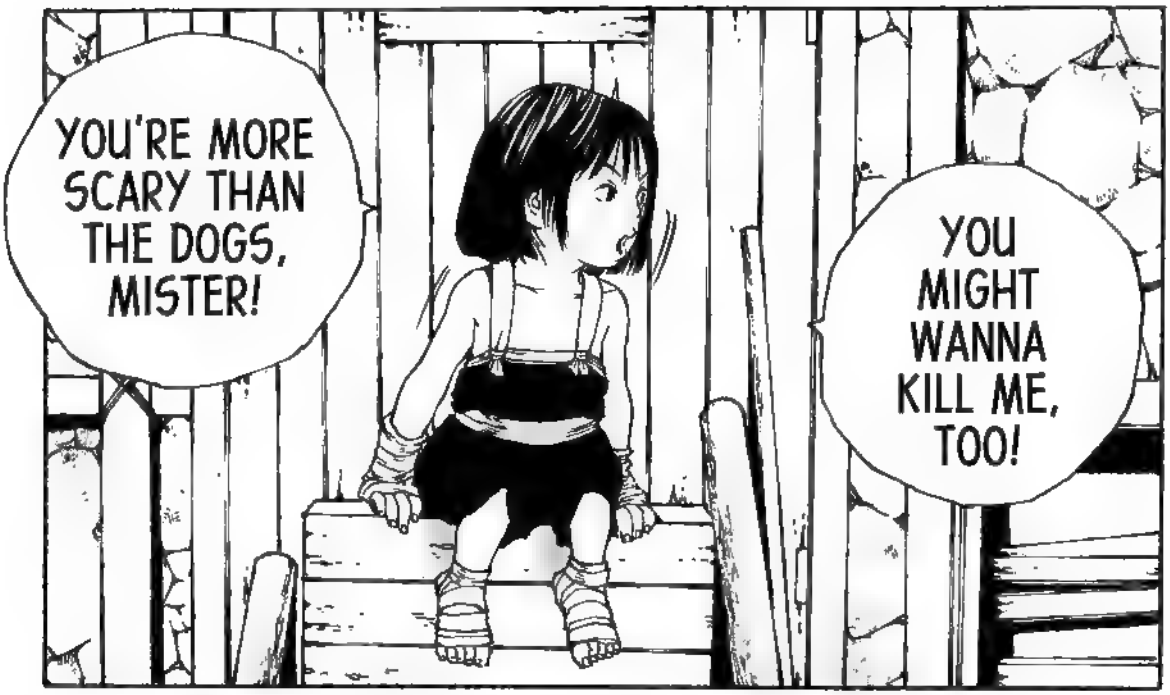
CLICK

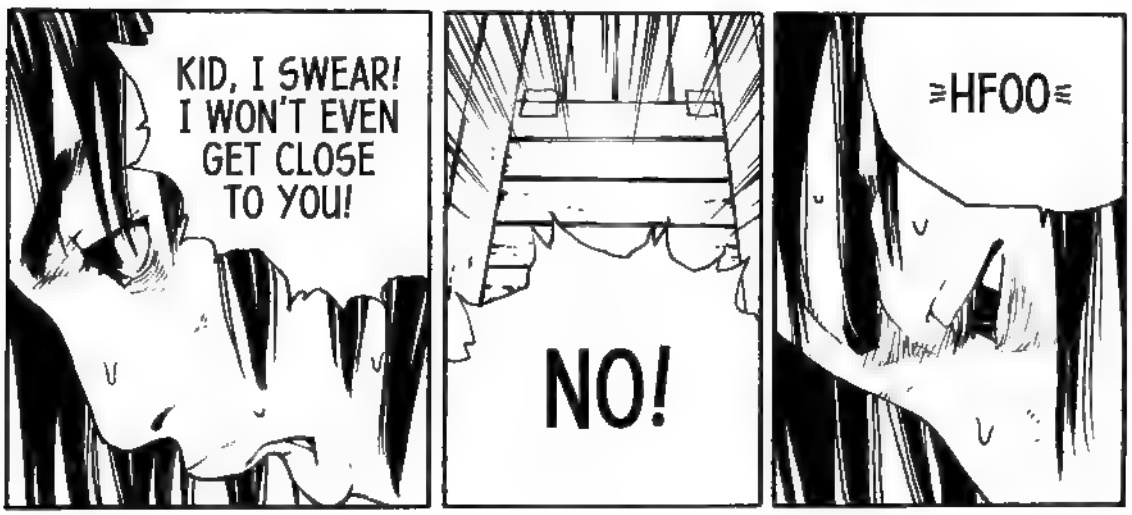
HRR!
SHFF
SHFF

HRFF!
BAM
BAM
BAM

HFF! HFF!
KID, I'M BEGGING YOU! PLEASE OPEN THE DOOR!
ALL RIGHT, YOU DON'T HAVE TO OPEN THE DOOR...
...BUT JUST THROW ME A LITTLE FOOD, WOULD YOU?
I'M NOT GOING TO HURT YOU. I'M JUST TRYING TO CROSS THE DESERT ALIVE!
LIAR!!
IT'S THE TRUTH, I SWEAR.
WHEN I FIRST SAW YOU, YOU WERE ALL COVERED WITH BLOOD!

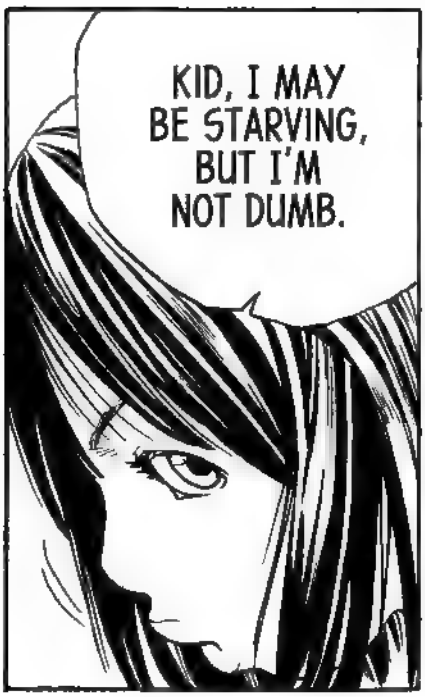
AND I KNOW YOU KILLED THE WILD DOGS OVER THE RIDGE!


YOU'RE MORE SCARY THAN THE DOGS, MISTER!
YOU MIGHT WANNA KILL ME, TOO!


KID, I SWEAR! I WON'T EVEN GET CLOSE TO YOU!
NO!
≡HFOO≡

OH, AND LET ME *WARN YOU,* MISTER-- I LIVE WITH A MONSTER WAY MORE SCARY THAN YOU!
IF YOU STAY HERE, YOU MIGHT BE KILLED! HURRY UP AND GET OUT OF HERE!

YOU'VE GOT A MONSTER HOUSEMATE, HUH?
YUP! HE'S OUT HUNTING RIGHT NOW, BUT HE'S GONNA BE BACK SOON! HE'LL PULL YOUR HEAD RIGHT OFF!


KID, I MAY BE STARVING, BUT I'M NOT DUMB.

BUT IT'S *TRUE...*

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!
!
AAARGH!
MY HEAD!

KRIK
SEE! I TOLD YOU IT'S TRUE!
HUH?
EEEK!
FWSH
SNCH
GOTCHA!
WAAA! LET ME GO!
LET GO!
SHFF
EH?

DON'T WORRY. I WON'T HURT YOU.
FTCH

KBAM
SKWFFF
YEEE!
BA
DMMP
OWW!

TINK
TINK

HAD I NOT DETECTED HIM IN TIME, I WOULD'VE BEEN KILLED INSTANTLY...

EH?!

WOOSH
FWOO

크앗
HRRAAH!
FPP
PAMM

HKK!
HIS MOVES ARE UNBELIEVABLE. WAS THE KID TELLING THE TRUTH? I JUST WANTED A LITTLE FOOD, BEFORE CONTINUING ON MY WAY TO MANUTU...
우에
HRRFF!

...BUT I'VE STUMBLED INTO A LION'S DEN... NOTHING ELSE LEFT TO DO, THEN...
HYAAP!
!
HUH?!
NOOO!
SWSHH
WHY AM I SO NERVOUS...? GET A GRIP..!
OOOH!

YOU... YOU'RE A SHAMAN WARRIOR, AREN'T YOU?
A SHAMAN THEY CALL A *GHOST!*
SAY YOUR PRAYERS-- YOU AND THE KID BOTH!
A SHAMAN WARRIOR IS NOT A GHOST.
FWSHF
I'M WARNING YOU! DON'T MESS WITH ME!

RUN, BATU!
FWA
콰다
DMMP
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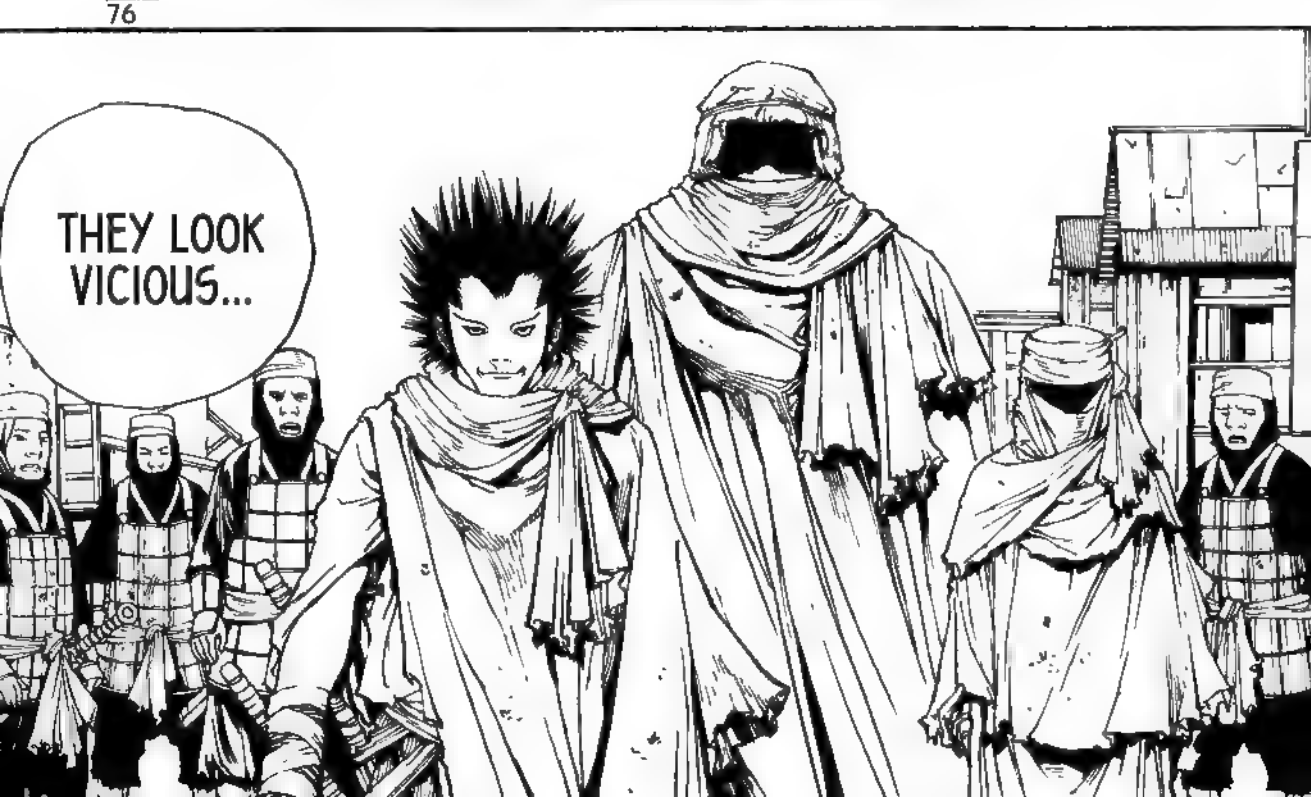
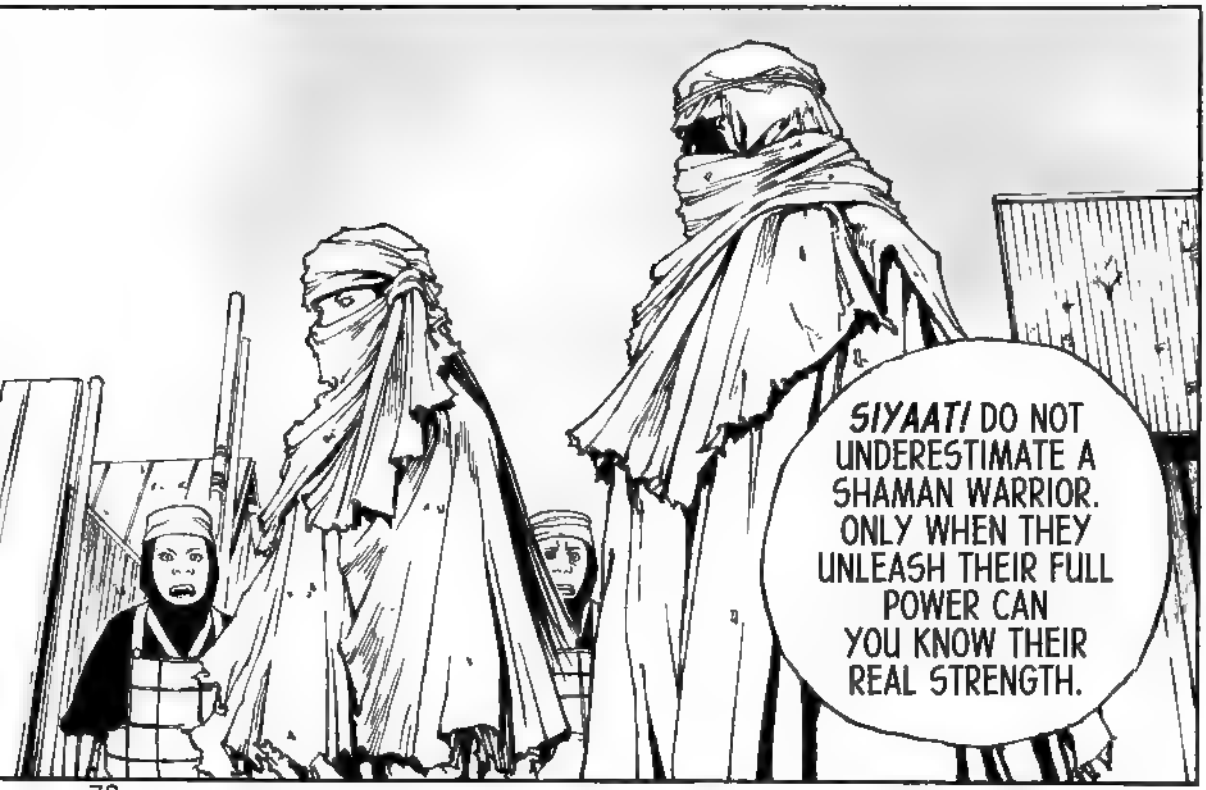
ENOUGH. I'LL HAVE NO BLIND DISPUTE WITH A SHAMAN WARRIOR...

KNCH
저벅
KNCH
저벅
HUNTERS!


THEY LOOK VICIOUS...

SO... THAT'S THE COLLABORATOR WHO WAS KILLED TODAY?
ER... THAT'S RIGHT.
HOW MANY MEN DID THE SHAMAN KILL?
HE WAS PROBABLY GUIDING THE SHAMAN WARRIOR...
SIX MEN SINCE THEY VEERED AWAY FROM THE CHECKPOINT.
SIX? THAT'S IT?
THEY BROUGHT US OUT HERE FOR A SHAMAN WHO ONLY KILLED SIX MEN AND SPLIT?


SIYAAT! DO NOT UNDERESTIMATE A SHAMAN WARRIOR. ONLY WHEN THEY UNLEASH THEIR FULL POWER CAN YOU KNOW THEIR REAL STRENGTH.

AW, SHUT IT! I KNOW THAT! I'M HERE TO SEE THIS OH-SO-POWERFUL SHAMAN DANCE FOR MYSELF, AREN'T I?!
SOON I WILL SEE IT WITH MY OWN EYES. HEH HEH HEH...

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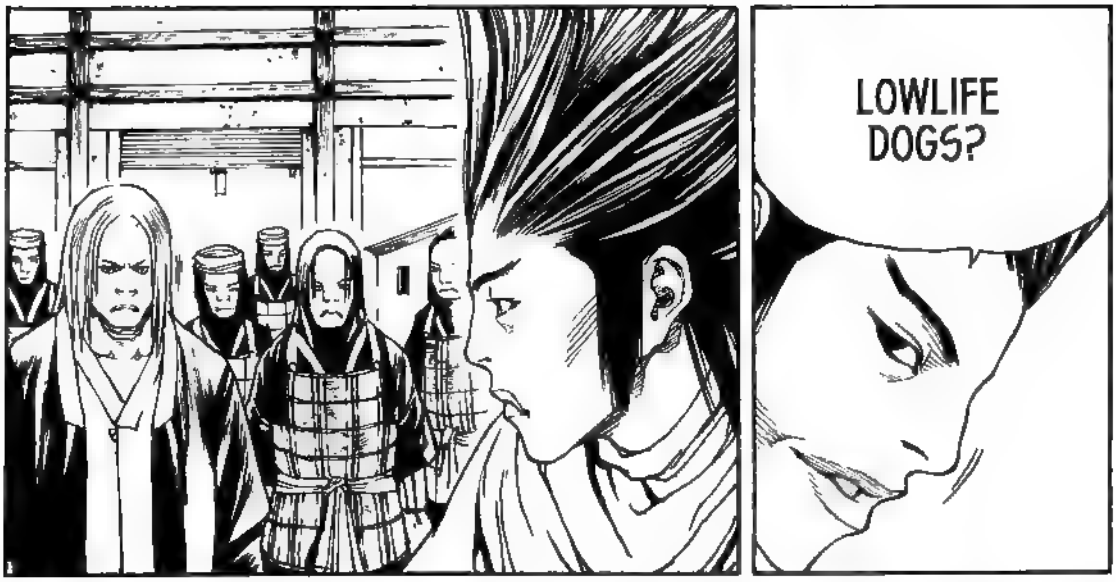
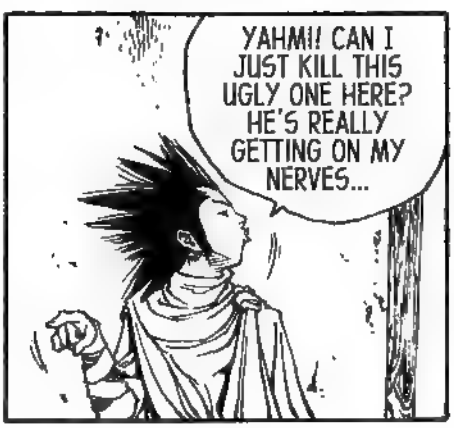
HMM, I'M GETTING A FUNNY VIBE FROM THESE FOOLS...
YOU COCKY LITTLE--

YOU! JUST BECAUSE YOU HAVE SOME SKILLS, DON'T THINK YOU CAN FORGET YOUR TRUE PLACE!
IGNORE THEM, SIYAAT.
PSHH! ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT...
YOU BETTER WATCH YOUR MOUTH AROUND YOUR SUPERIORS, BOY!
THAT'S ENOUGH! DON'T WASTE YOUR BREATH ON THESE LOWLIFE DOGS!


LOWLIFE DOGS?

I TOLD YOU TO IGNORE THEM, SIYAAT.

SHUT YOUR MOUTH! EVERY-ONE KNOWS YOU SPRANG FROM FILTHY PEASANT STOCK!
THIS IS A PLACE FOR *HIGH CLASS KABACHI!* IT SICKENS ME TO BREATHE THE SAME AIR AS YOU ANIMALS!


YAHM! CAN I JUST KILL THIS UGLY ONE HERE? HE'S REALLY GETTING ON MY NERVES...

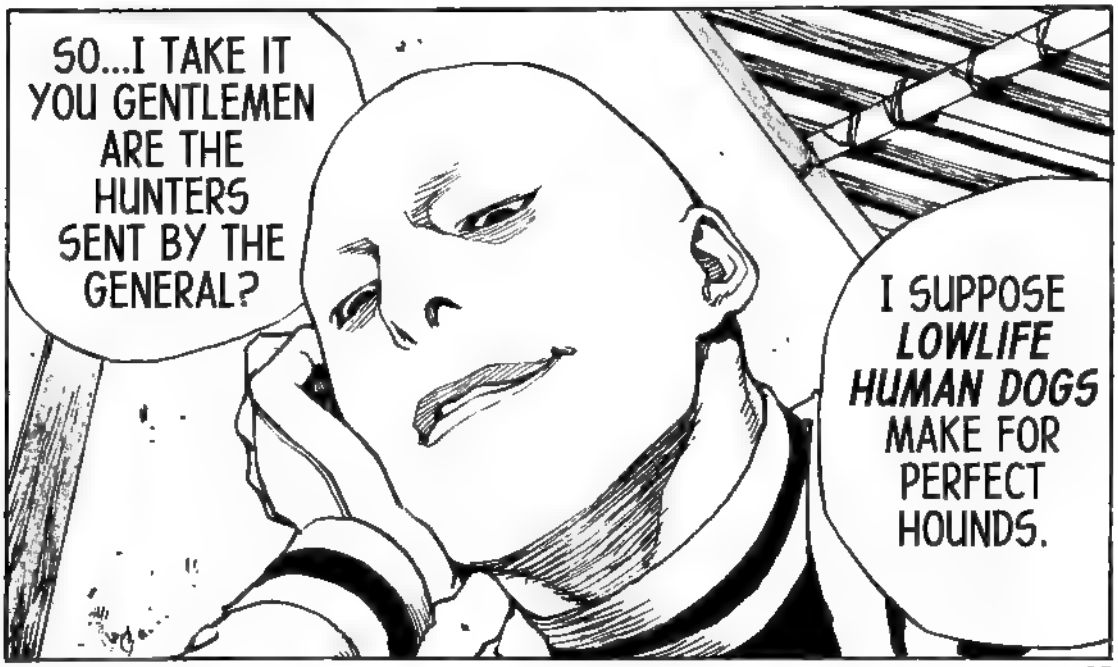
I SAID--
WATCH YOUR
DAMNED
MOUTH!
FWSHKK
!!
KREEEK

OH, ENOUGH ALREADY... WHAT'S WITH THE RACKET?

M-MY LORD...

HMPH!

...
≡YAWN≡


SO...I TAKE IT YOU GENTLEMEN ARE THE HUNTERS SENT BY THE GENERAL?
I SUPPOSE *LOWLIFE HUMAN DOGS* MAKE FOR PERFECT HOUNDS.

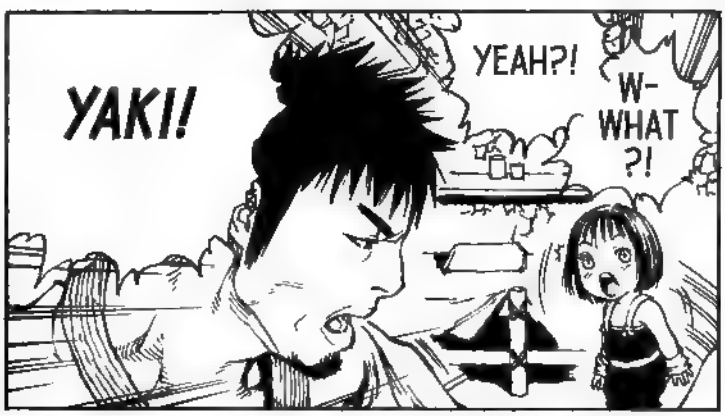
USING *BEASTS* TO CATCH A BEAST.
A WISE PLAN. DON'T YOU AGREE?

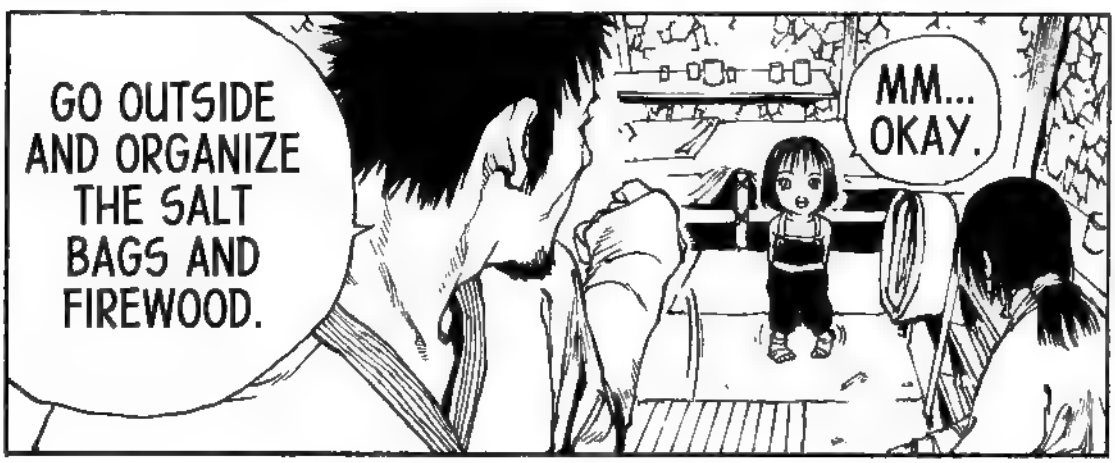
HERE-- DRINK. IT'S SALT WATER.
AH!
THAT'S ENOUGH!
GLP
...
SALT IS VERY PRECIOUS IN THE DESERT.

HM?
SWISH
KID... WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
SHFF
스윽
...

YAKI!
EEK
움찔

...

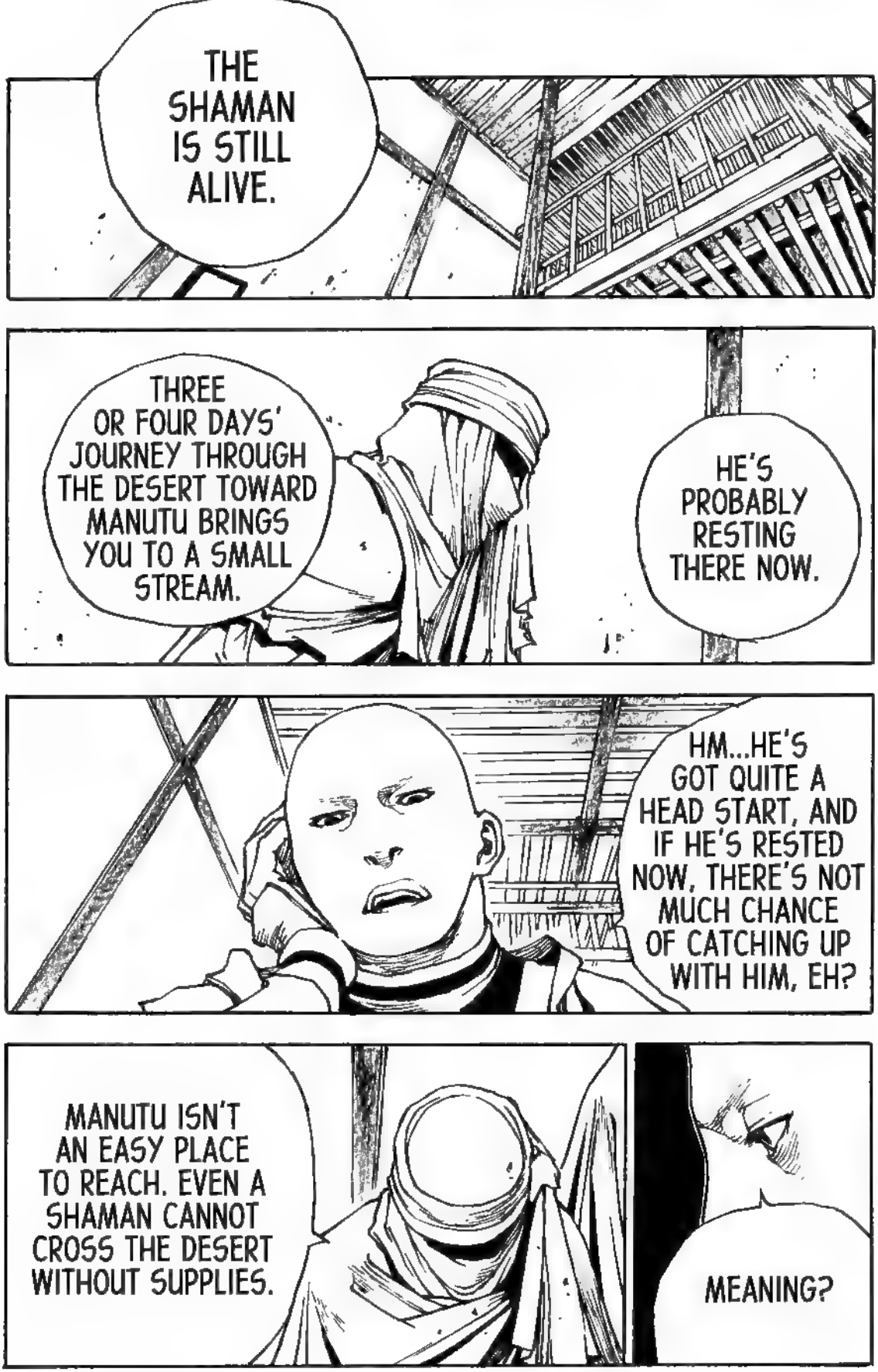

YAKI!
YEAH?!
W-WHAT?!


GO OUTSIDE AND ORGANIZE THE SALT BAGS AND FIREWOOD.
MM... OKAY.

≡AHEM≡
≡AHEM≡
YAKI, WHAT ARE YOU MUTTERING ABOUT?
WHAT?! NOTHING! NOTHING!
HEH.
≡TSK≡
FUMP
MHMMP
YEEK!

DON'T LET HER FOOL YOU...SHE'S HAPPY TO HAVE YOU HERE.
SHE RARELY MEETS NEW PEOPLE.
THANK YOU FOR SAVING MY LIFE.

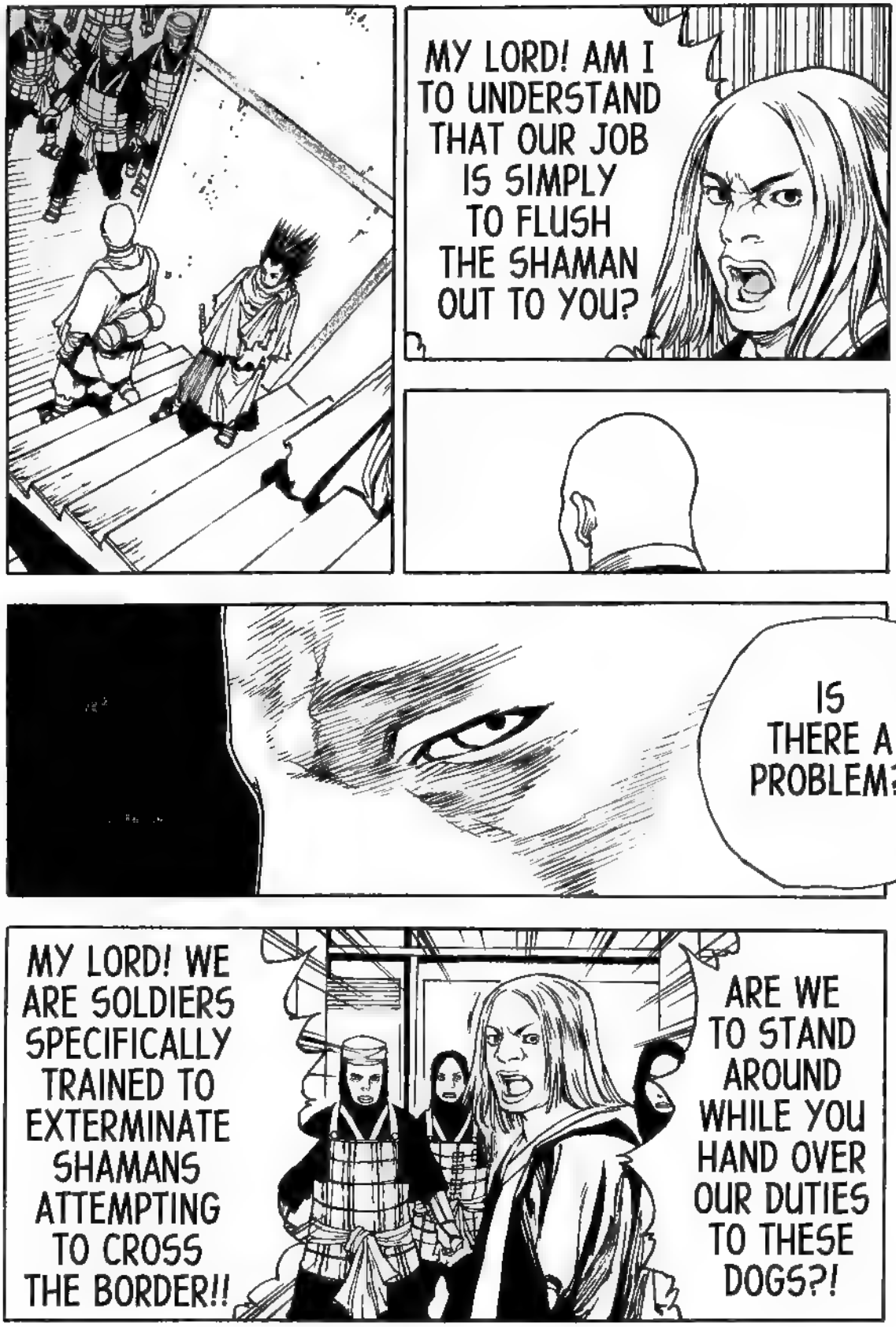
YOU MADE IT HERE ON YOUR OWN, DESPITE WILD DOGS AND EVERYTHING ELSE...
WHAT'S A SHAMAN WARRIOR DOING WAY OUT HERE?


THE SHAMAN IS STILL ALIVE.
THREE OR FOUR DAYS' JOURNEY THROUGH THE DESERT TOWARD MANUTU BRINGS YOU TO A SMALL STREAM.
HE'S PROBABLY RESTING THERE NOW.
HM...HE'S GOT QUITE A HEAD START, AND IF HE'S RESTED NOW, THERE'S NOT MUCH CHANCE OF CATCHING UP WITH HIM, EH?
MANUTU ISN'T AN EASY PLACE TO REACH. EVEN A SHAMAN CANNOT CROSS THE DESERT WITHOUT SUPPLIES.
MEANING?

MARUCHETTE!
HE'LL HAVE TO PASS THROUGH *MARUCHETTE*, THE PROVINCE OF ANOTHER REBEL CLAN.

MAKES SENSE.
EVERYONE HEARD THAT? GATHER THE TROOPS AND START TRACKING THE SHAMAN IMMEDIATELY!
YES, MY LORD!

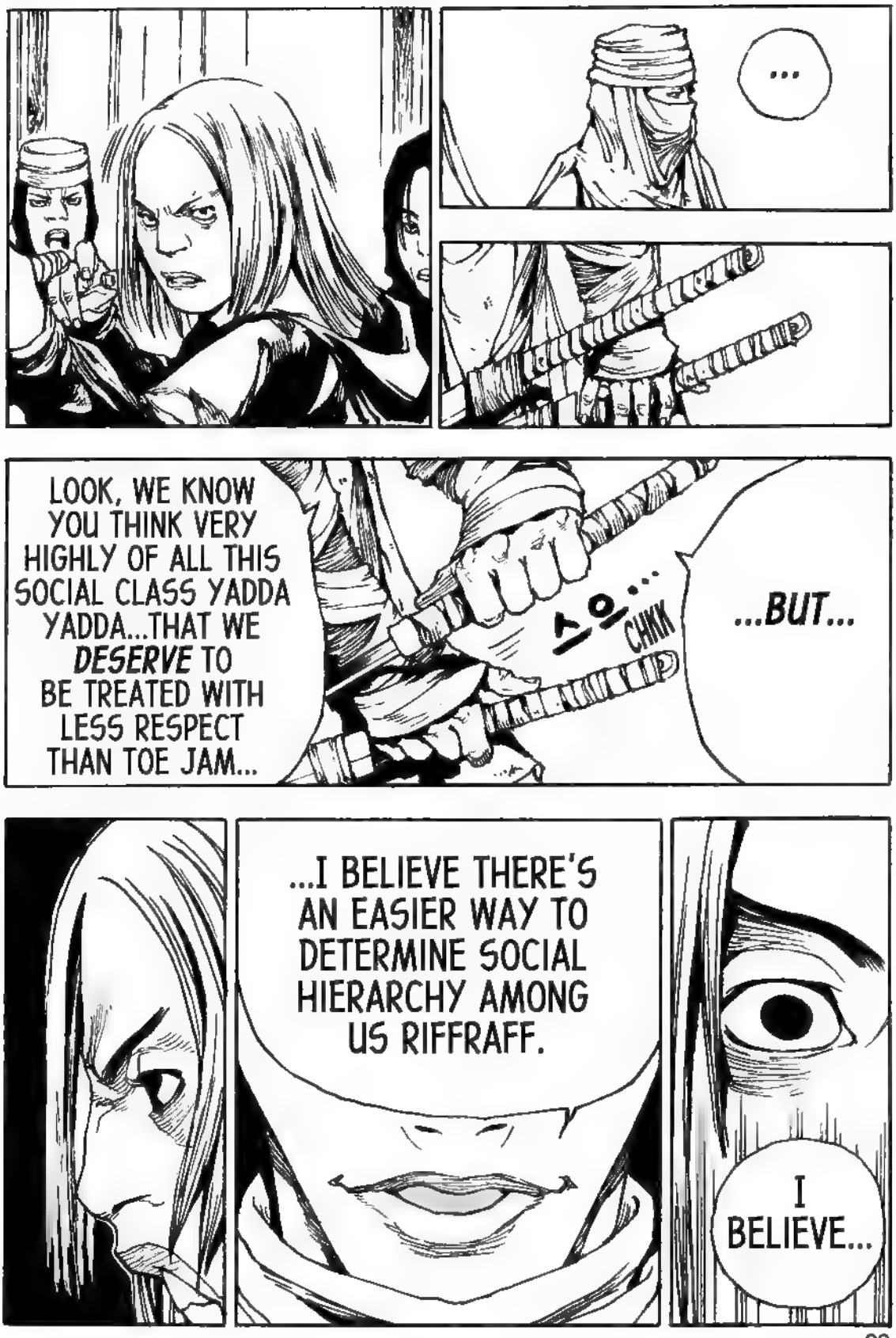
YOU THREE--WE WILL HEAD DIRECTLY TO MARUCHETTE AND WELCOME OUR SHAMAN GUEST WHEN HE ARRIVES.
UNDERSTOOD, MY LORD.
MY...MY LORD?!
KEE HEE!


MY LORD! AM I TO UNDERSTAND THAT OUR JOB IS SIMPLY TO FLUSH THE SHAMAN OUT TO YOU?
IS THERE A PROBLEM?
MY LORD! WE ARE SOLDIERS SPECIFICALLY TRAINED TO EXTERMINATE SHAMANS ATTEMPTING TO CROSS THE BORDER!!
ARE WE TO STAND AROUND WHILE YOU HAND OVER OUR DUTIES TO THESE DOGS?!

WE *CANNOT* ACCEPT THAT!
OOH...A REVOLT!
SCUM! IT'S TIME YOU LEARNED YOUR PLACE!
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO, MY LORD? MY MASTER ALWAYS HAD A QUICK SOLUTION...
HOW AMUSING...THOSE WHO DISAGREE WITH MY ORDERS, STEP FORTH.

I, CAPTAIN OF THE SHAMAN HUNTERS, DISAGREE!
FWSHINGG
OH!
AH!
WSHINGG
WSHINGG
ME TOO!
AS DO I!
WSHINGG

HOH HOH!
YOU *WORM!* I'M GOING TO TEACH YOU A LESSON YOU'LL NEVER FORGET!
FWSH
RELAX. I'LL HANDLE IT.


...
LOOK, WE KNOW YOU THINK VERY HIGHLY OF ALL THIS SOCIAL CLASS YADDA YADDA...THAT WE *DESERVE* TO BE TREATED WITH LESS RESPECT THAN TOE JAM...
스으...
CHNK
...BUT...
...I BELIEVE THERE'S AN EASIER WAY TO DETERMINE SOCIAL HIERARCHY AMONG US RIFFRAFF.
I BELIEVE...

...STRENGTH EQUALS POWER.

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C'MON! I'LL SHOW YA!
HRRAAH!!

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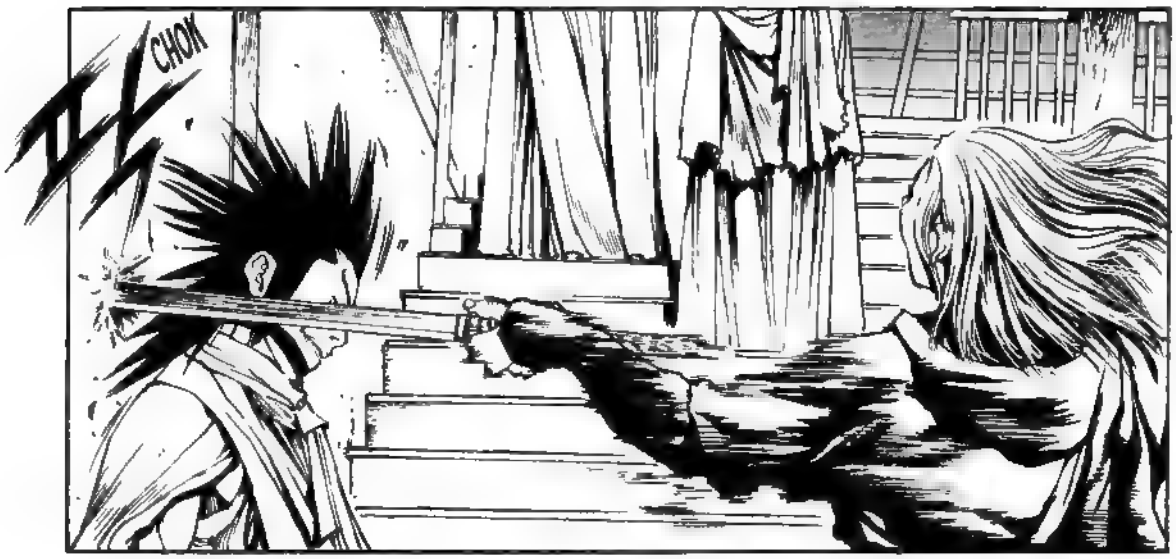
HRRAAH!
GRRRAA!

KRANGG
SKKTTCH
SHKK

≡TSK≡
≡TSK≡

OOH.


CHOK

FWKK

KAMM

AAAH!

HMPH!

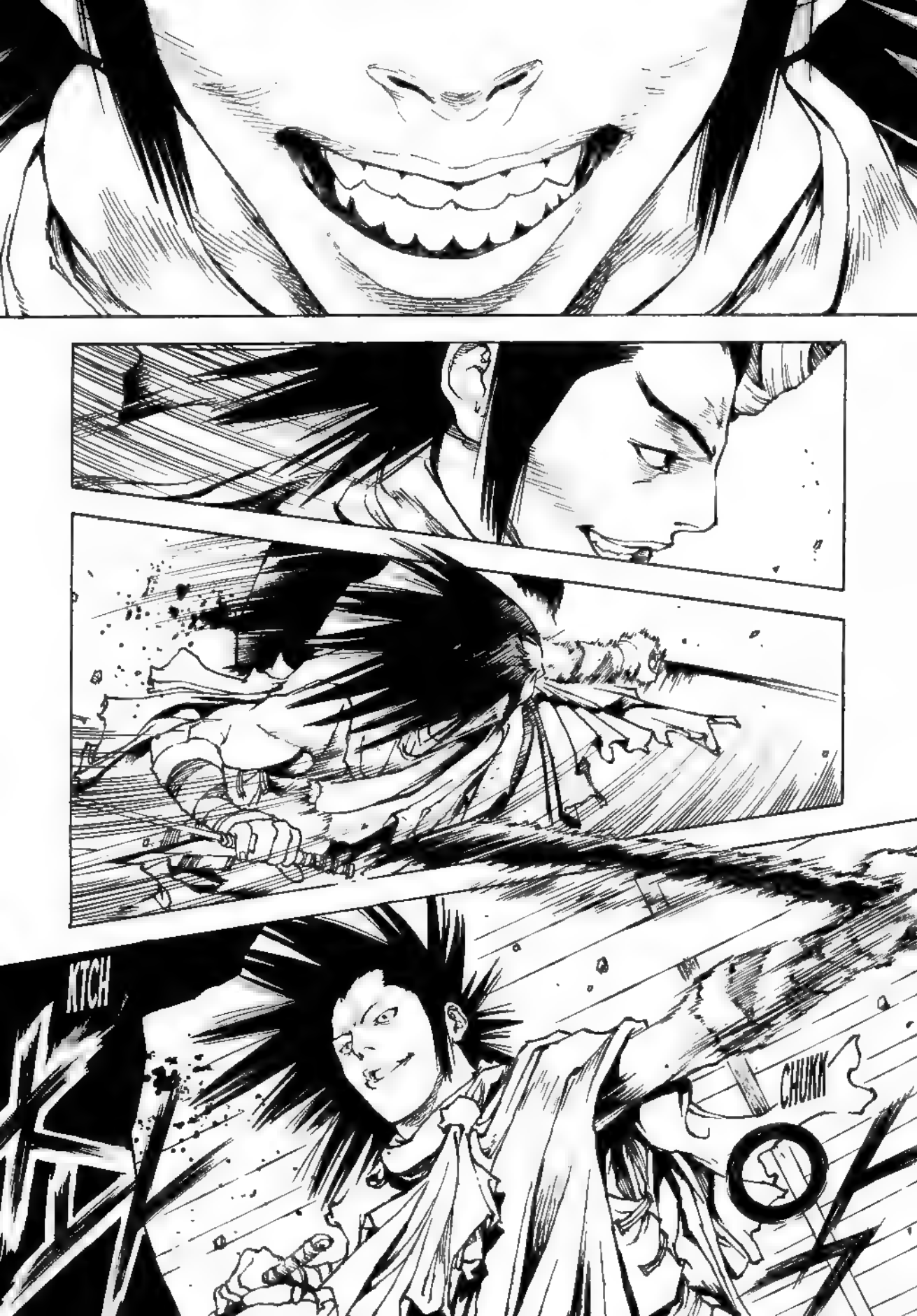
KHHK
CAPTAIN!
!!
HRRGH!

HRRAA!
FWHOOSH
KA

BASTARD!

IT'S OVER.
KYAAH!

SHKK
KTTCH


KTCH
CHUKK

PSHH
PSHHAAAAA
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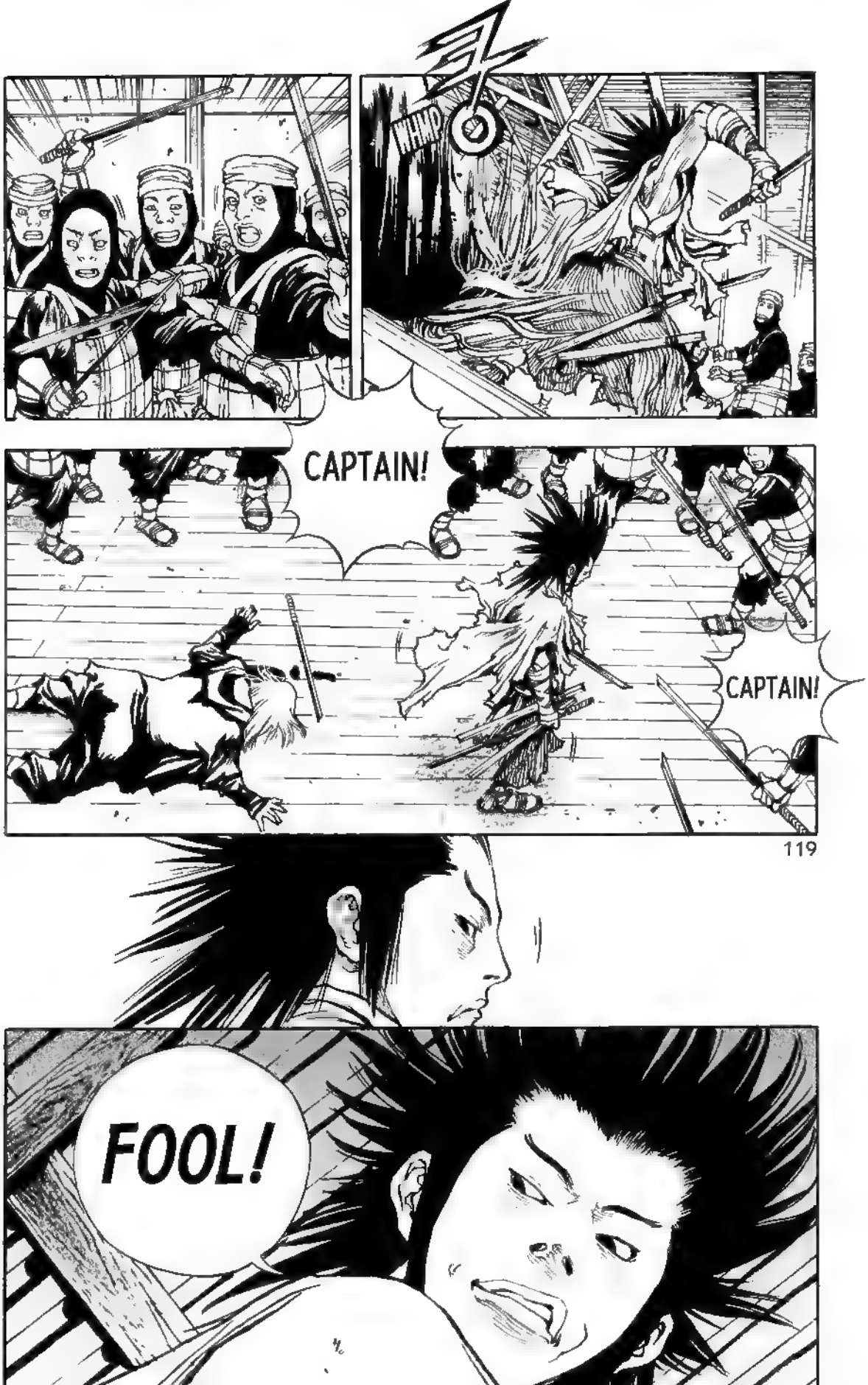

WHIP
CAPTAIN!
CAPTAIN!
FOOL!

THAT THE BEST YOU GOT?
HRRR...
WHSH FWSH
C'MON! ANYONE ELSE WANNA PLAY?
WHP

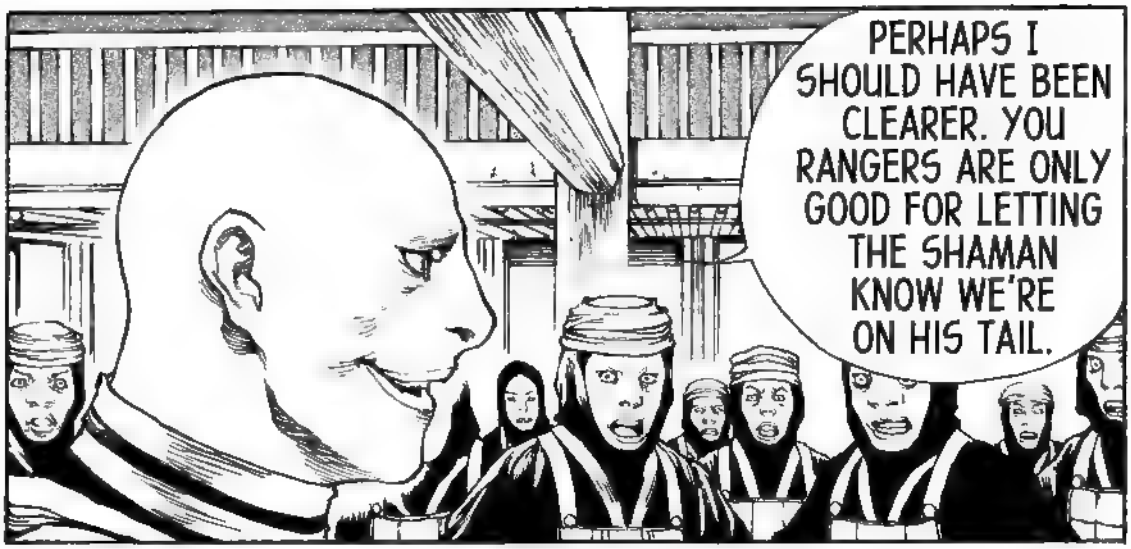
SHUT YOUR HOLE, YOU BASTARD!
KYAAH!
FWITCH!
HRRK!
RIP HIM TO SHREDS!
DIE!

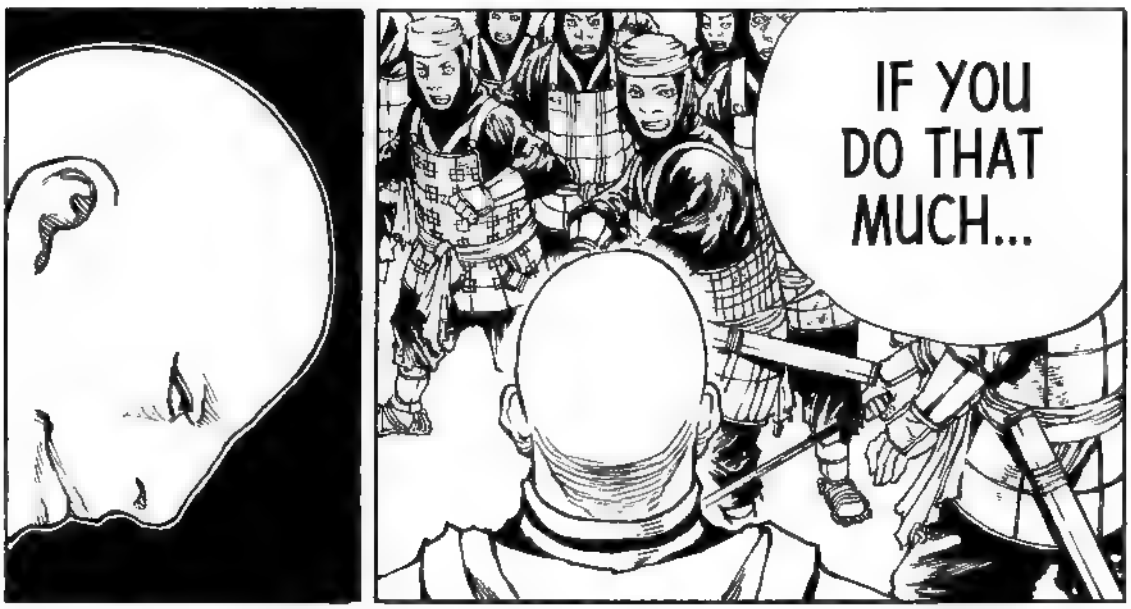
KHAA!
HAHAHA!
C'MON!
BRING
IT!
HYAH!

THAT'S ENOUGH!

THEY ARE NOT ENEMIES, SIYAAT!

HMPH!
HEH HEH HEH...
NOW... DO WE HAVE AN UNDER-STANDING?


PERHAPS I SHOULD HAVE BEEN CLEARER. YOU RANGERS ARE ONLY GOOD FOR LETTING THE SHAMAN KNOW WE'RE ON HIS TAIL.


IF YOU DO THAT MUCH...

...YOUR DEATHS SHOULD BE HONORABLE.

LET'S GO!
M-MY LORD!
DAMN!
IS HE SERIOUS ?!

WHAT'S A SHAMAN WARRIOR DOING WAY OUT HERE?

WAIT...FROM THE WAY YOU SPOKE BEFORE, YOU SEEM TO KNOW AN AWFUL LOT ABOUT SHAMANS. CAN I ASK YOU A QUESTION?

ARE SHAMANS MONSTERS?

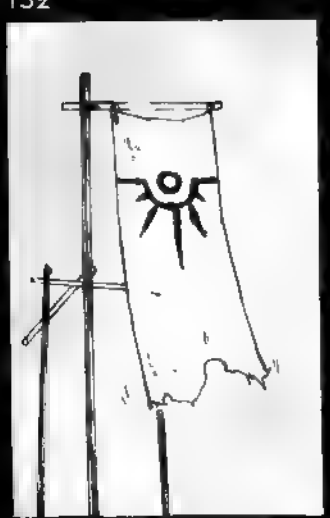
NO! THAT'S ABSURD.
ONCE THERE WAS A TIME WHEN KUGAI NEEDED TO RAISE ARMS. IF THERE HADN'T BEEN SHAMAN WARRIORS, THERE WOULD BE NO KUGAI TODAY.

MY FATHER WAS A SHAMAN WARRIOR... HE FOUGHT FOR KUGAI DURING THE WAR.
AFTER IT WAS OVER, HE TOOK UP FARMING AND RAISED ME AND OUR FAMILY.

HORAKAAN! WHAT ARE YOU GAWKING AROUND FOR? GET TO WORK!

WHAT?

BIG BROTHER, I THINK SOME PEOPLE ARE COMING THIS WAY.



YOU'RE RIGHT-- AND THAT'S THE KUGAI SYMBOL ON THAT FLAG!
?

LOOKS LIKE SOLDIERS ...
...
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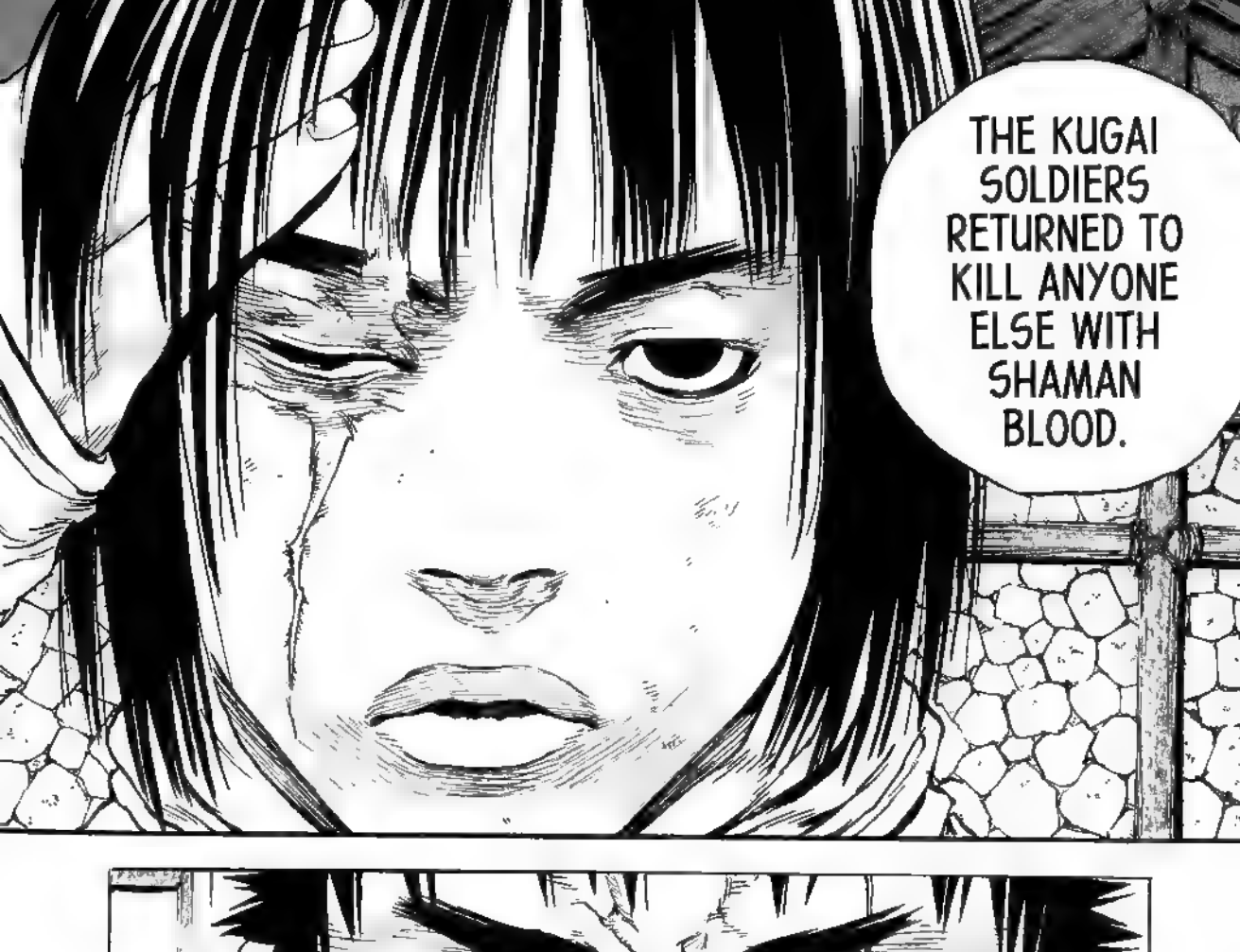
KUGAI SOLDIERS?
HEY, ARE YOU STILL STEALING EGGS FROM THE MARKET?!
UH... MAYBE...?
THEY'RE COMING HERE FOR THAT?

WARRIORS OF KUGAI, WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?
ARE YOU KAAN, THE SHAMAN WARRIOR?
I AM. WHO'S ASKING?
BY ORDER OF THE KUGAI MAINLAND, WE'VE BEEN SENT TO COLLECT AND RELOCATE ANY AND ALL SHAMAN WARRIORS!
AND WHY ARE WE BEING RELOCATED, MAY I ASK?
THE MAINLAND'S SEEN AN INCREASE IN DEATHS...ALL CAUSED BY THE RECKLESS, DEVIANT SHAMAN WARRIORS. YOU SHAMANS ARE TOO POWERFUL AND DANGEROUS TO BE LEFT UNWATCHED!

W-WAIT JUST A MINUTE! MY FATHER--!
THAT'S ENOUGH!
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO AGAINST THESE SOLDIERS?
ARREST HIM!
YES, SIR!
HMF! GLAD WE HAVE AN UNDER-STANDING.
FATHER!
IT'S OKAY, SON. I HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG, SO I'LL BE BACK SOON. DON'T CAUSE ANY MORE PROBLEMS. JUST WAIT FOR ME.

...
IT ALL STARTED THAT NIGHT WHEN MY FATHER WAS TAKEN AWAY.


THE KUGAI SOLDIERS RETURNED TO KILL ANYONE ELSE WITH SHAMAN BLOOD.

MY OLDER BROTHERS FOUGHT BACK...

SKRASH

AAGH!
HORAKAAN, RUN!
IT BECAME CLEAR...MY FATHER HAD BEEN TAKEN AWAY SO THAT WE WOULD BE LEFT DEFENSELESS.
AHH...

DIE!
HORAKAAN!

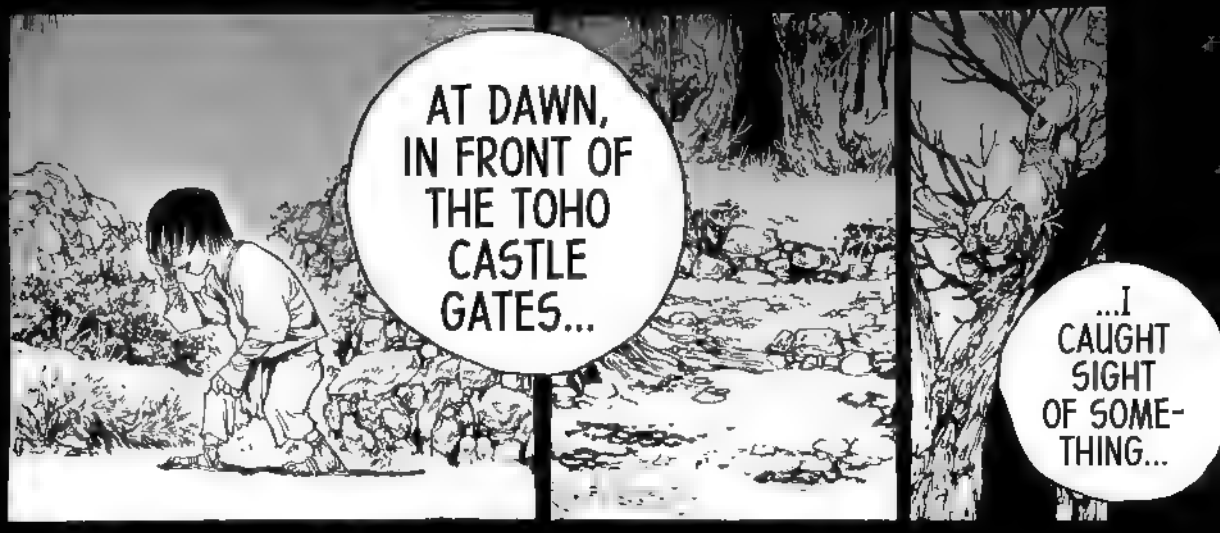
FLASH
SHMPP

YAAAH!!
KRAHH
EEYAAH! IT BURNS!

RUN, HORAKAAN! HURRY!
BROTHER! MY EYE! IT'S SO HOT! AAAH!!

GO!!
RUN!!
파ㅅ
SHUKK

I WATCHED MY BROTHERS GET SLAUGHTERED LIKE ANIMALS. I WAS TERRIFIED.
I RAN AND RAN THROUGH TOHO FOR WHAT SEEMED LIKE AN ETERNITY.


AT DAWN, IN FRONT OF THE TOHO CASTLE GATES...
...I CAUGHT SIGHT OF SOME-THING...

...MY FATHER'S HEAD DANGLING LIKE A PIECE OF MEAT.
I THINK IT WAS AT THAT MOMENT...

...THAT SOMETHING INSIDE ME CHANGED FOREVER.

MY SKIN WAS ON FIRE, AND ALL THE HAIR ON MY BODY STOOD ON END AS IF A SIZZLING CHARGE WAS RIPPING THROUGH ME. I WAS CONSUMED BY AN INEXPLICABLE FRENZY-- AS IF I WOULD GO INSANE IF I DIDN'T BITE AND GNAW MY OWN ARM OFF...

IT'S BEEN SIX YEARS SINCE THAT FATEFUL NIGHT. I'VE BEEN KILLING KUGAI SOLDIERS AND RUNNING AWAY EVER SINCE, AND NOW FATE HAS LANDED ME HERE, SOMEHOW...
THEN--WHEN DID KUGAI SOLDIERS START EXTERMINATING SHAMAN WARRIORS?!
I'M NOT REALLY SURE...
...BUT I HEARD IT BEGAN YEARS AGO, AFTER ONE SHAMAN SLAUGHTERED SOME KUGAI CITIZENS...

DO YOU REMEMBER COMMANDER *YARONG?* THEY SAY HE COMMITTED HORRIBLE ATROCITIES--
WHAT... WHAT DID YOU SAY?
GRRR... HRRGH...

BAMM
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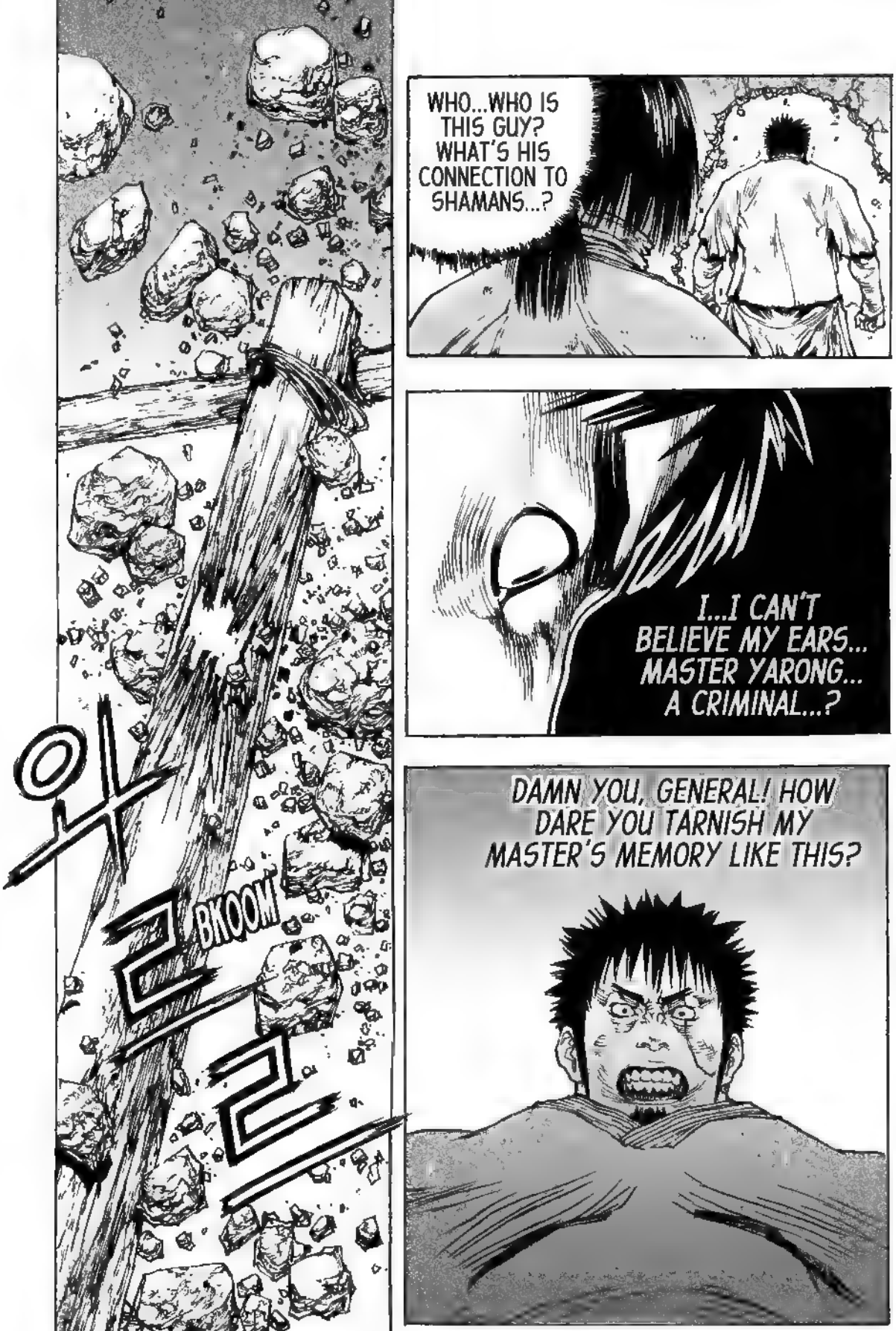
BKOOM!
WHO...WHO IS THIS GUY? WHAT'S HIS CONNECTION TO SHAMANS...?
I...I CAN'T BELIEVE MY EARS... MASTER YARONG... A CRIMINAL...?
DAMN YOU, GENERAL! HOW DARE YOU TARNISH MY MASTER'S MEMORY LIKE THIS?

BA...BATU?
BATU... LEAVE ME AND GO STRAIGHT TO YAKI!

TAKE YAKI AND LEAVE KUGAI...
MASTER...
...HOW COULD THINGS END UP LIKE THIS?
...
MY PURSUERS ARE PROBABLY CLOSING IN. IF THEY FIND ME HERE, IT WON'T BE SAFE FOR YOU AND YAKI.

WILL YOU COME WITH ME TO MANUTU?

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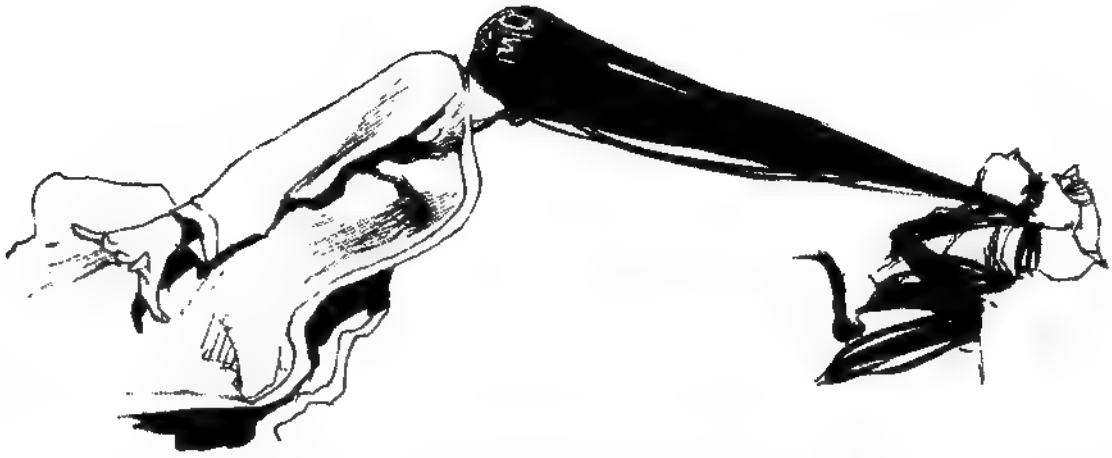

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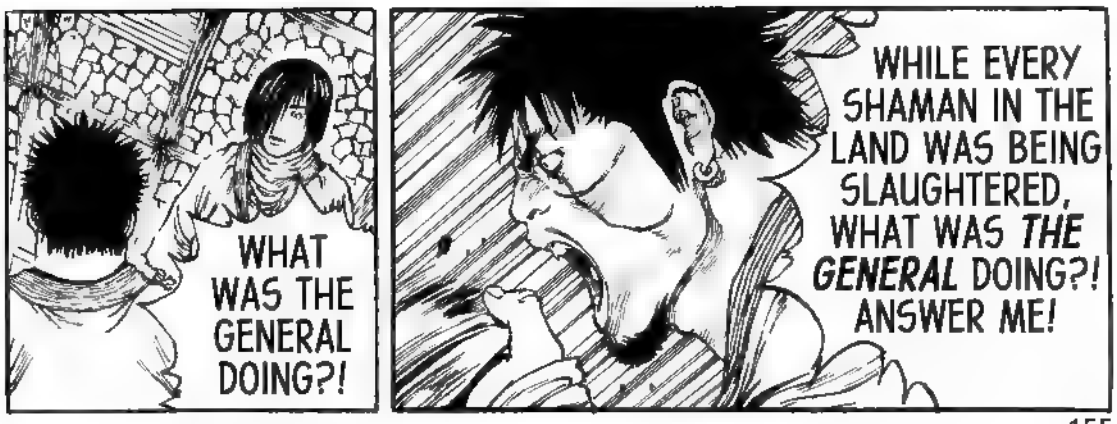
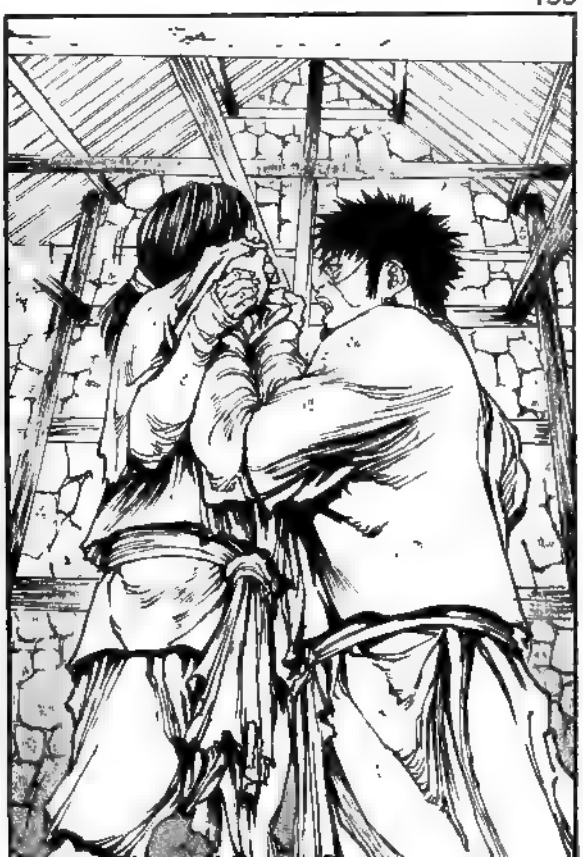
WHAT'S *WITH* THIS GUY...?
SO INTENSE.. AND WHY IS HE SO WORRIED ABOUT US SHAMANS...?


WHAT WAS THE GENERAL DOING?!
WHILE EVERY SHAMAN IN THE LAND WAS BEING SLAUGHTERED, WHAT WAS *THE GENERAL* DOING?! ANSWER ME!

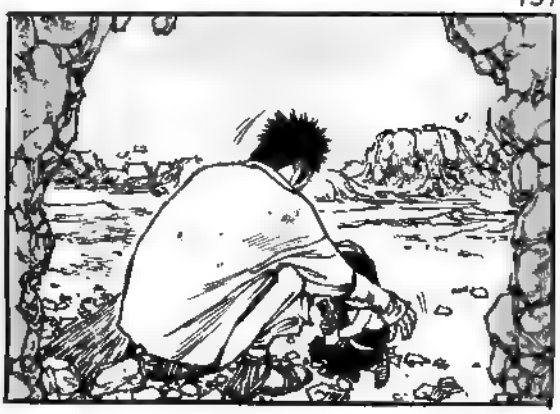
I...I...



I...I'M SORRY... I JUST....
FORGET IT... LOOK, IT'S DANGEROUS TO STAY HERE. THOSE SOLDIERS MAY BE HERE ANY MINUTE.
I DON'T GIVE A DAMN ABOUT KUGAI SOLDIERS! LET THERE BE A HUNDRED OF THEM--IT DOESN'T MATTER!
FURTHER-MORE, YAKI IS ALSO A SH--
!!

AHH... FORGET IT.
YOU HAVE TO LEAVE HERE.
THAT WAY, YAKI AND I WILL BE SAFE AGAIN.

YOU LEAVE AT DAWN.
YES...



THERE IT IS... JUST LIKE WE WERE TOLD. HARD TO BELIEVE ANYONE ACTUALLY LIVES OUT HERE, THOUGH. STAY SHARP, GENTLEMEN!

SHOULDN'T WE REGROUP WITH THE OTHER SENTRIES FIRST, SIR? THEY'RE LOOKING FOR THE STREAM, TOO.
NO, WE'LL BE HARDER TO DETECT IN A SMALLER GROUP.
STAY CLOSE AND ATTACK QUIETLY.
WE FIGHT TO THE DEATH!
RETREAT-- AND I'LL SLICE YOUR THROAT MYSELF!
YES, SIR!
LET'S GO!
!

SHHINGG

RANGERS, BY THE LOOKS OF 'EM...

YOU! ARE YOU THE SHAMAN WHO KILLED THOSE SOLDIERS AND FLED?!
FREEZE! DON'T MAKE ANY STUPID MOVES OR YOU'RE DEAD!
...
GIVE IT UP! YOU MAY HAVE RUN THIS FAR...
...BUT THIS IS THE END OF THE LINE!
SHWNF
GUESS THAT KID WAS TELLING THE TRUTH...

I HEAR HUNTING DOWN SHAMAN WARRIORS IS YOUR SPECIALTY. LET'S SEE HOW YOU DO...
THAT'S RIGHT--I'M A SHAMAN WARRIOR.
ATTACK!!

RAAAAGH!

GRAAAH!

KWA

BASH

HYAAH!

HRK!
GET DOWN HERE! HE'S ALONE!

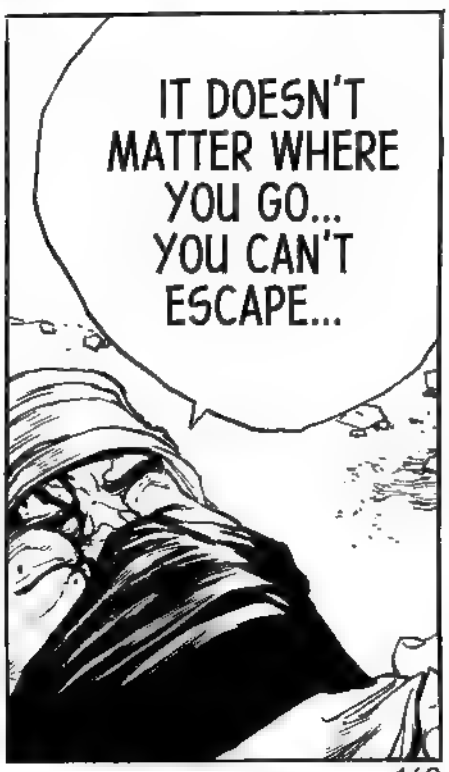
GRAAH!
SHUKK
COME ON! I'LL KILL ALL YOU KUGAI BASTARDS!!
ARRGH!

...
DON'T... THINK THIS IS THE END...
...YOU WON'T ESCAPE THE HUNTERS...
"HUNTERS"...?

HRFF! THAT'S RIGHT...LIKE SPECTERS HUNTING MONSTERS...
...HUNTING SHAMANS...

IT'S GOT TO BE HIM...AND HE'LL KILL YAKI, TOO.

THESE HUNTERS! WHO ARE THEY?!

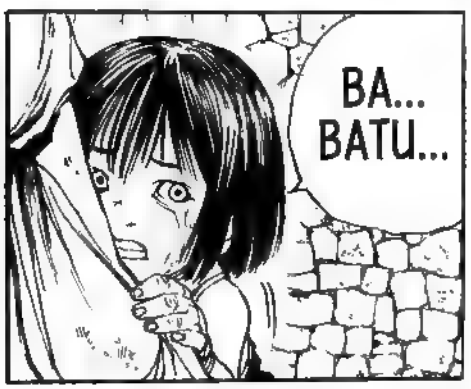

IT DOESN'T MATTER WHERE YOU GO... YOU CAN'T ESCAPE...

THEY LIVE ONLY TO HUNT SHAMANS...

WHO ARE THEY?! DO THEY WORK FOR THE GENERAL?!
ARE THEY THE SAME BASTARDS WHO KILLED COMMANDER YARONG?!
TH... THEY...
WHY DON'T YOU ASK THEM YOURSELF...?
THEY'RE PROBABLY WAITING FOR YOU IN THAT SHACK RIGHT NOW...
Y-YAKI!

YAKI!
KA
BAM!

...!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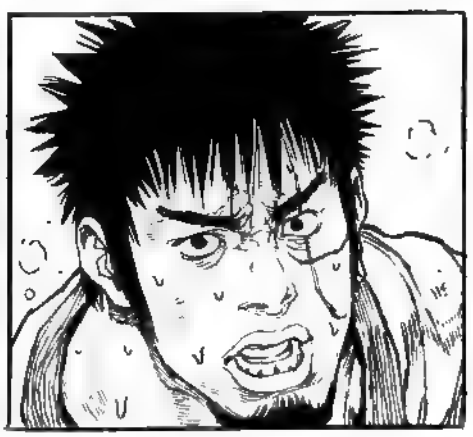
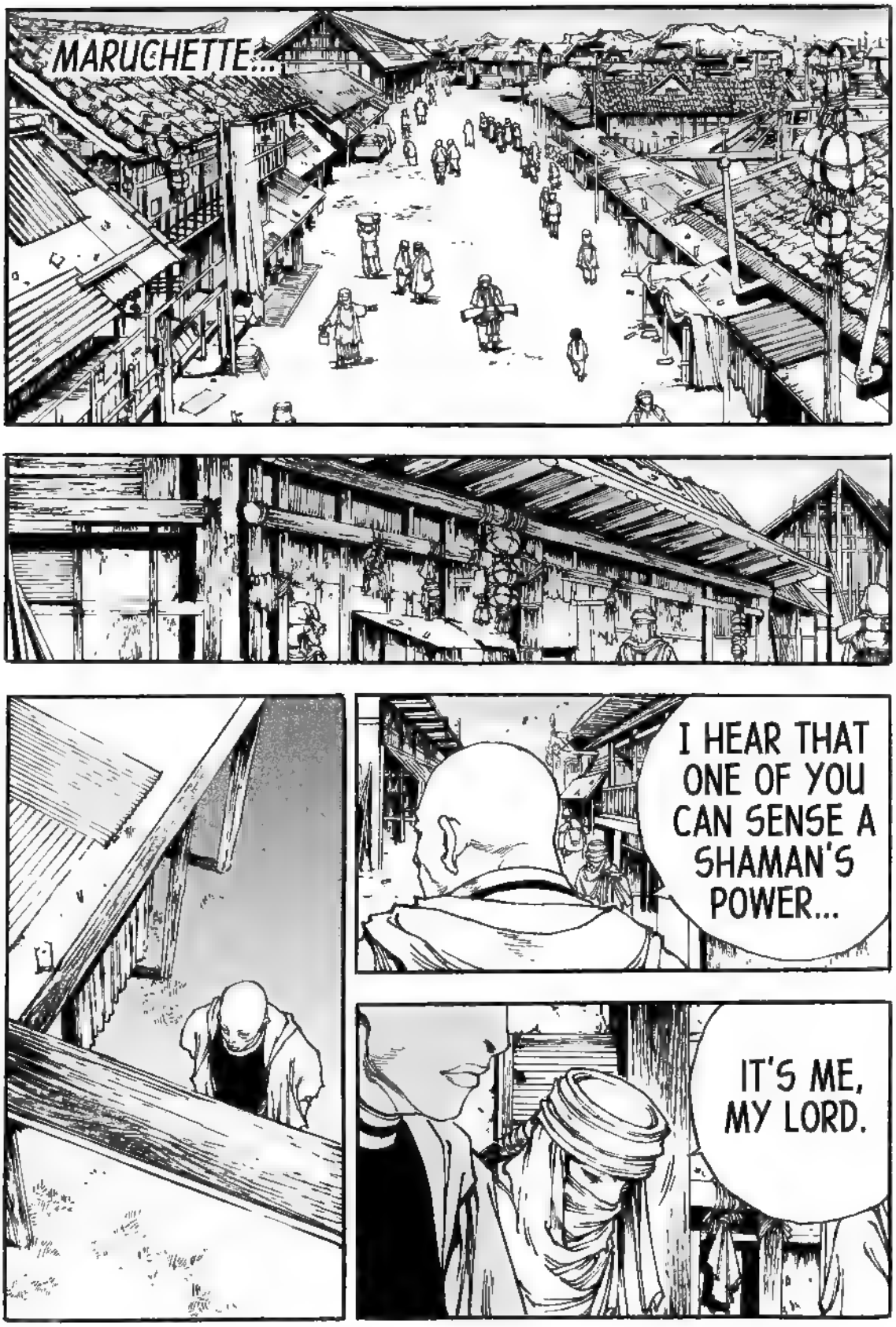
BATU...



BATU, I'M SCARED!
EWAAAH!
I...I'M SORRY! THEY ATTACKED BEFORE I WAS READY TO LEAVE...
GLP
FU
NU

ガシッ
GUSHI
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
I'M GOING TO KUGAI!

I HAVE TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENED IN KUGAI WITH MY OWN EYES.
KUGAI ISN'T A SAFE PLACE TO BE VISITING RIGHT NOW. ESPECIALLY WITH YAKI...
YOU'RE RIGHT. WHICH IS WHY I'M GOING ALONE. I'M LEAVING YAKI SOMEWHERE SAFE.
AS LONG AS I LET THEM LIVE, YAKI'S LIFE WILL BE IN DANGER...


MARUCHETTE...
I HEAR THAT ONE OF YOU CAN SENSE A SHAMAN'S POWER...
IT'S ME, MY LORD.

AND HOW DO YOU PULL OFF THIS LITTLE TRICK?
WELL...SHAMANS HARBOR A SPECIAL ENERGY INSIDE THEIR BODIES. THEY ARE KIND OF LIKE SORCERERS...
...AND I AM A SORCERESS. ALTHOUGH I DON'T HAVE THE SPECIFIC POWERS OF A SHAMAN, I *DO* CHANNEL MAGICAL ENERGIES, JUST OF A DIFFERENT...SIGNATURE, IF YOU WILL.
IF I CONCENTRATE, I CAN DETECT A SHAMAN'S AURA... THE ENERGY ONE EMITS...THIS ALLOWS ME TO PINPOINT A LOCATION.
THAT'S A VERY USEFUL POWER...

PLEASE, SIT BACK AND LET US ENTERTAIN YOU...WITH THE CAPTURE OF A SHAMAN, MY LORD.
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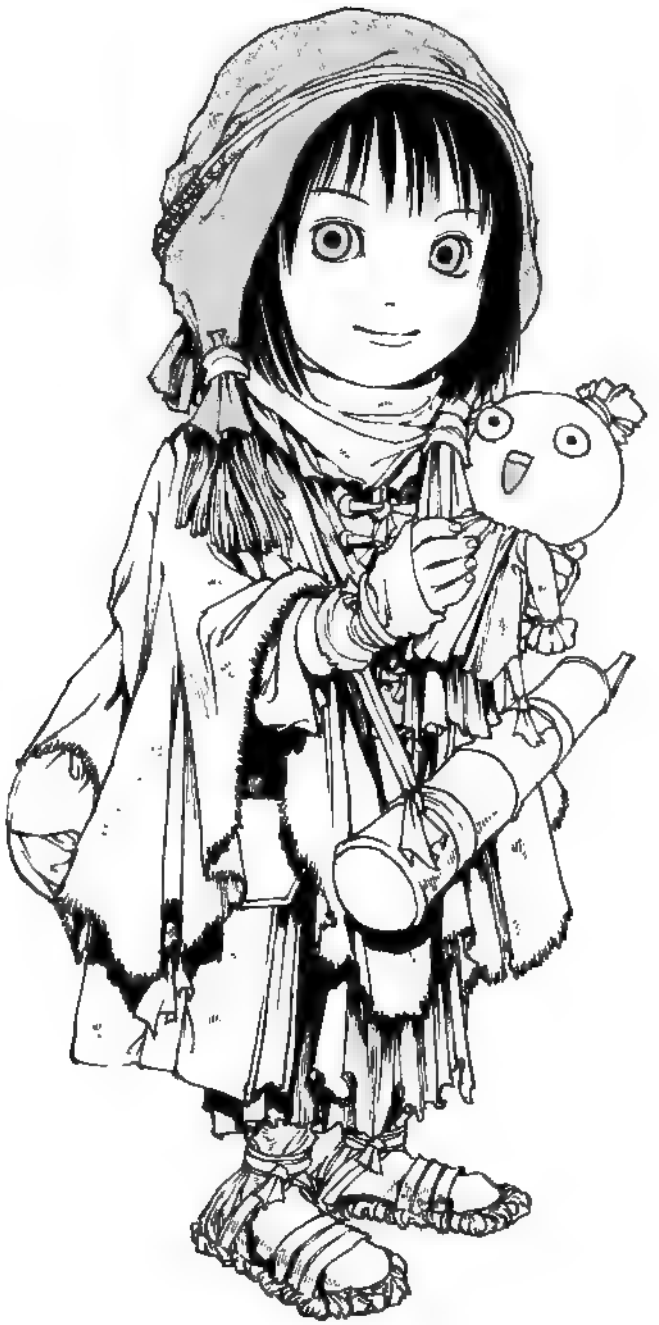
AMUSING...
WELL, I WILL BE EXPECTING QUITE A SHOW.



MARUCHETTE
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I NEED A ROOM FOR THE NIGHT.

SHOULDN'T WE BE ON OUR WAY?
STAY PUT. I HAVE TO FIND SOMEONE TO TAKE CARE OF YAKI.

I'LL BE BACK IN THE EVENING.
LOOK AFTER YAKI UNTIL I GET BACK.
CAN'T I GO OUT WITH YOU, BATU?
NO, YOU CAN'T.
AWW...

YAKI...?

IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?
NOD NOD
HUP!
TMP
WELL, WE HAVE TO EAT NOW. C'MON, I'LL SHOW YOU AROUND OUTSIDE.
UM... BUT...
DON'T WORRY, WE'LL JUST STEP OUT FOR A SECOND.

WOW...

HUH?
EEK!
HEY, WHAT DID YOU DO?!
HEH HEH HEH...
I'M SORRY, IT'S JUST THAT HER EYES LOOKED LIKE THOSE OF SOMEONE I USED TO KNOW...
...

KAKRASH!!
YAAH!
STUPID OLD FOOL, WHO DO YOU THINK YOU'RE PICKPOCKETING?
I'M GOING TO CHOP YOUR HANDS OFF FOR THAT!

N-NO! PLEASE! HAVE MERCY! I'M A FATHER! D-DON'T YOU HAVE PARENTS?!
SAY WHAT?
PARENTS?
HOW MANY PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT SUCH THINGS HERE IN MARUCHETTE ?!
YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU'RE GONNA DIE--OR BY WHOSE KNIFE!
AND WHO THE HELL CARES ABOUT WHATEVER HOLE YOU CRAWLED OUT OF?
STOP TALKING BULLSHIT AND GIVE ME YOUR HAND!
N-NO! LET GO!
HUH?
FMP

WHAT THE HELL DO YOU THINK--
I HATE TO INTERRUPT...
...BUT I NEED THE OLD MAN.
BEAT IT, CHUMP!
IF YOU GOT BEEF WITH THE OLD MAN, GET IN LINE AND WAIT YOUR TURN!
MOVE!

AAH!
KHEE KHEE KHEE
PWAH!
HEH HEH HEH
I...I...
GRRR!
HOW DARE YOU!
YOU... YOU'RE DEAD!

...
SHIFT
YOU BETTER KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GETTING INTO BEFORE YOU PULL A SWORD BEHIND MY BACK.
I SUGGEST YOU *SCRAM* BEFORE I STOP FEELING CHARITABLE.

KTNKK
HEY!
I CAME HERE TO HAVE A LITTLE FUN. YOU GOT ANY PARTICULAR REASON FOR KILLIN' THE PARTY?

HOO...
YOU GUYS ARE WRESTLERS, RIGHT? LIGHT-WEIGHT DIVISION?
IF YOU KNOW *THAT*, I THINK YOU SHOULD ALSO KNOW NOT TO MESS WITH US, EH?
LET'S SEE HOW BOLD YOU ARE WHEN I CAN SEE YOUR FACE.
WHSHFF
AH!!
THAT... THAT *SCAR!*

BA...BATU THE DESTROYER...!!

AAAH!

THE... DESTROYER...!

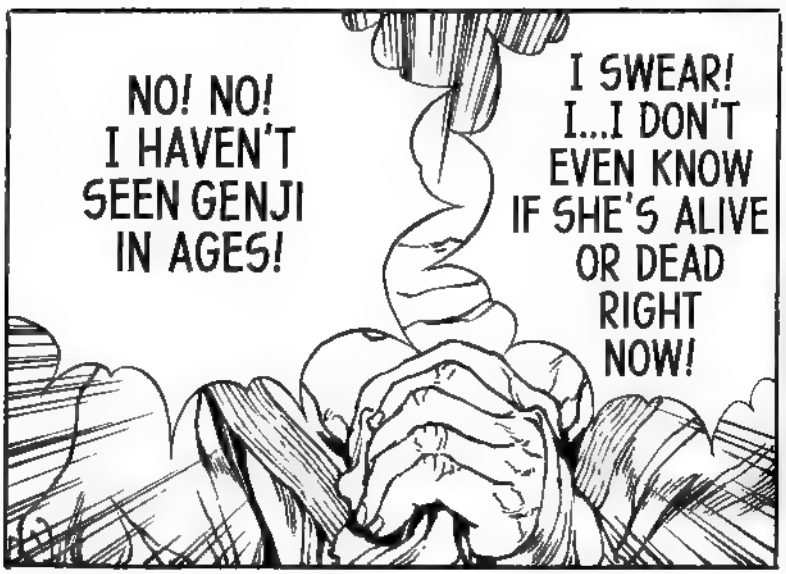
D-DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!
YAAH!

LISTEN... WHERE'S *GENJI*, OLD MAN?

I...I DON'T KNOW!

GNCH

I KNOW YOU'RE STILL WORKING WITH GENJI BECAUSE YOU'RE STILL SCARED OF *ME*...


NO! NO! I HAVEN'T SEEN GENJI IN AGES!
I SWEAR! I...I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF SHE'S ALIVE OR DEAD RIGHT NOW!

SHUT YOUR HOLE AND LISTEN TO ME. GIVE GENJI THIS MESSAGE...
...TELL HER THAT *BATU* HAS SOMETHING TO SAY TO HER. TELL HER TO COME TO THE MOTEL AT THE CORNER OF THE VILLAGE.
...
KTMP
KTMP
KTMP
KTMP
KTMP
KTMP

BA... BATU!
CRASH
BATU IS HERE!
!!
B... BATU?!
DID YOU SAY BATU?!
YEAH, I JUST SAW HIM AT A GAMBLING HALL!
A GAMBLING HALL?
DID HE COME BACK TO GAMBLE AGAIN?!
C'MON, LET'S GO SEE!

BATU...
...THE DESTROYER ...?!
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Author's Note

I really wanted to do my best work.

Even though I was fine drawing at a quick pace,
This book felt odd somehow . . I wonder why?

Perhaps I simply got complacent taking shortcuts?

Hmm . . . I'm not sure yet.

By the way, my uncle, Oh Soong-Gun,
Used to draw great comics.

He's a great man.

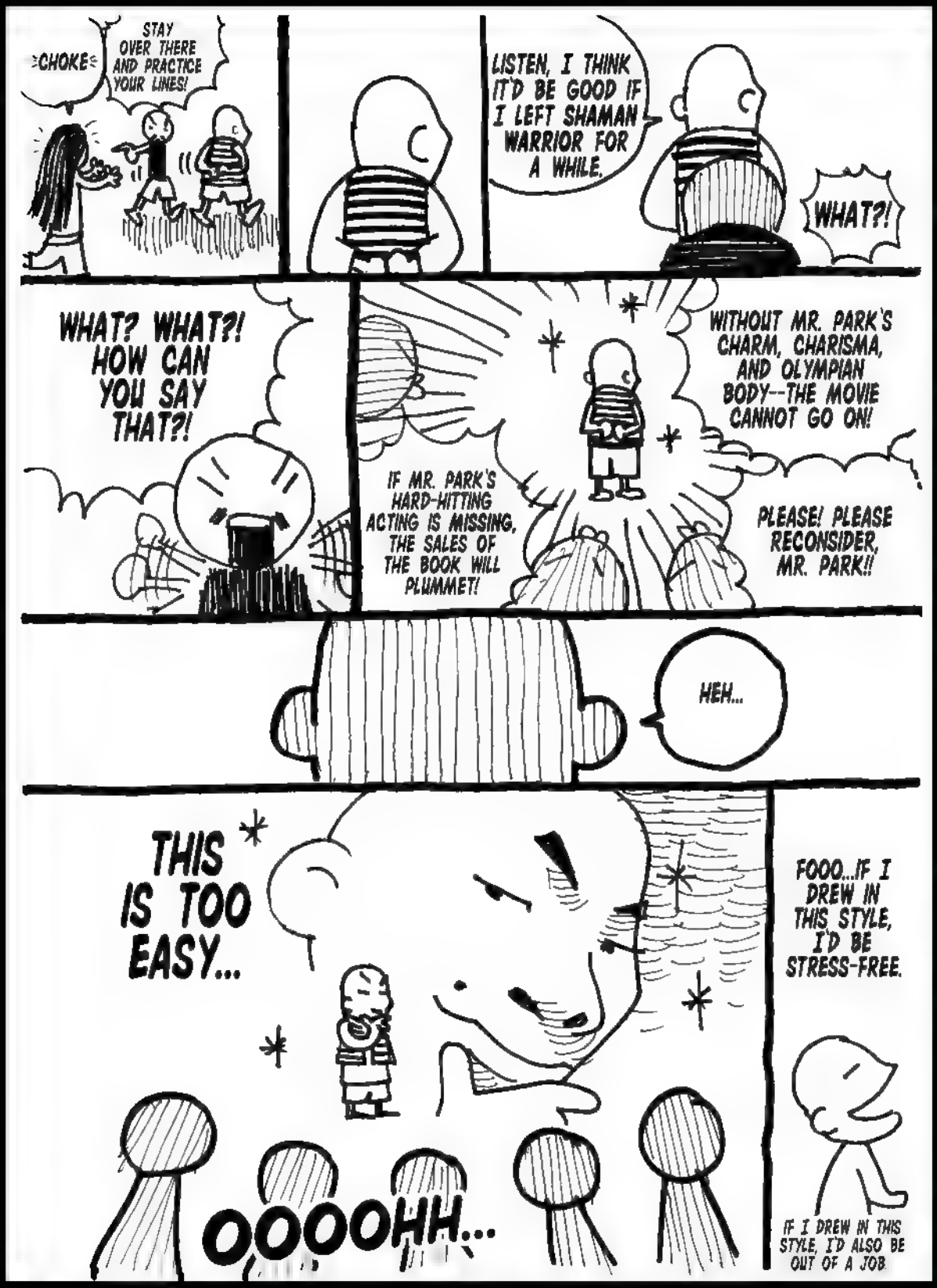
Park Joong Ki

STUDIO DIARY

THE GIANT'S ROAD

AHH...JUST ONCE, I WISH MAKING A COMIC WAS LIKE THIS... ♥

SHAMAN WARRIOR, VOLUME I, PAGE 138...
AAHHK!
WHMP
CUT!
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, WHAT ARE YOU DOING? HURRY UP AND MAKE SURE PARK JOONG-KI IS TAKEN CARE OF!
THERE, THERE... I'M OKAY! OH, GEEZ--I SAID I'M OKAY!
YES, SIR!
GET THE CHIPS AND CHOCOLATE READY! MAKE IT SNAPPY!
WOW...EVERYONE IS REALLY FLOORED BY ALL YOUR HARD WORK AND SPECTACULAR ACTING!
EH, NO BIGGIE.. ACTING IS MY LIFE. HEH HEH HEH!
HEH HEH!
MR. PARK! ARE YOU OKAY? MR. PARK! MR. PARK!
STOMP
STOMP
EH? WHO'S THIS?
SLUURP
AH...THIS IS THE YOUNG ACTOR CAST AS YARONG.
HM...
HELLO, SIR, I'M JUNG WOO SUNG. IT'S AN HONOR TO WORK WITH YOU, SIR!
BOW
BOW
JUNG WOO SUNG: A KOREAN ACTOR SIMILAR IN STATUS TO LEONARDO DICAPRIO OR THE LIKE
IT'S AN HONOR TO WORK WITH YOU, SIR!
SLUURRRP
YOU...YOU'RE NOT CUTER THAN ME!


CHOKE
STAY OVER THERE AND PRACTICE YOUR LINES!
LISTEN, I THINK IT'D BE GOOD IF I LEFT SHAMAN WARRIOR FOR A WHILE.
WHAT?!
WHAT? WHAT?! HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT?!
WITHOUT MR. PARK'S CHARM, CHARISMA, AND OLYMPIAN BODY--THE MOVIE CANNOT GO ON!
IF MR. PARK'S HARD-HITTING ACTING IS MISSING, THE SALES OF THE BOOK WILL PLUMMET!
PLEASE! PLEASE RECONSIDER, MR. PARK!!
HEH...
THIS IS TOO EASY...
FOOO...IF I DREW IN THIS STYLE, I'D BE STRESS-FREE.
OOOOHH...
IF I DREW IN THIS STYLE, I'D ALSO BE OUT OF A JOB.

JOONG-SUN'S STUDIO DIARY

HEY, JOONG-SUN...A CARTOONIST MUST HONE HIS BODY...
OKAY...
SNAP WOOD WITH FOOT!
KIAH
FWSH
THROW CHOPSTICKS LIKE NINJA!
D-14
OOT!
ONCE I'VE FINISHED PENCILLING, WE'LL HONE OUR BODIES!
D-7
HMM...
ONCE I'VE FINISHED INKING, WE'LL HONE OUR BODIES! I SWEAR..
BOOM
...
YARRGH! ONCE I'VE FINISHED CORRECTIONS!!!
YET AGAIN THIS MONTH, WE COULDN'T BREAK OUT OF THE DAILY THIRTEEN-HOUR GRIND...
OY..
C'MON, BIG BROTHER. LET'S EAT! IM GONNA BOIL SOME INSTANT RAMEN...
HKK!! YES, LITTLE BROTHER!!

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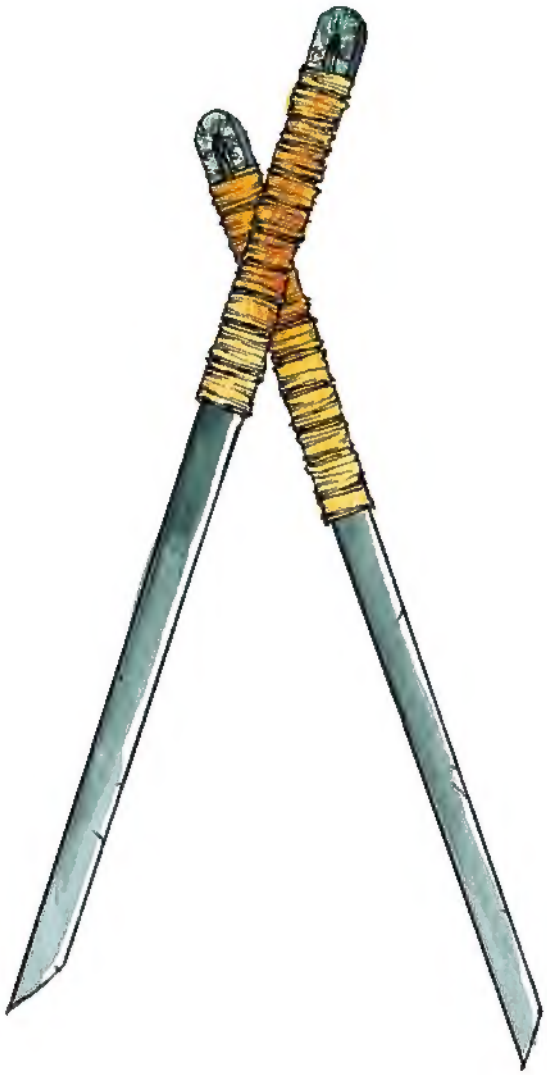

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